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To members of the Law Amendments Committee,

Growing up on a dairy farm in the county of Antigonish, it became very apparent that becoming efficient was the only way that we could grow and move forward. I was the son of an immigrant that landed in the country in 1952 with very few possessions.

After being raised in the farming environment, I applied these skills in my businesses in Truro in 2005 and then expanded my operations to Antigonish in 2010. I now have other interests outside of the province. My wife and I are both from the county of Antigonish and still own property there. As a result, we have taken a keen interest in the progress of consolidation in town and county of Antigonish.

My business name is Harmony Grove Home Sales and we sell the mini home and modular home product across Nova Scotia. We also do developments of subdivisions in Truro and Antigonish County. Kent Homes is our supplier.

Like any business we are looking for efficiencies throughout our organization and always trying to improve and remain competitive. I really do feel strongly that by consolidating the town and county of Antigonish you can't help but make things more efficient. For these reasons I support the consolidation for the sustainability and growth of the Antigonish Town and county.

Thanks,

Raymond Rieksts