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Member of Parliament
Sturgeon River—Parkland

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Mayor Rod Shaigec C/O Lorna Wolodko (EA) Parkland County

Via Email: Lorna. Wolodko@parklandcounty.com

Dear Mayor Shaigec,

On December 11th, 2020, the House of Commons passed a motion introduced by Conservative MP Todd Doherty, through unanimous consent, to bring a national 3-digit suicide prevention hotline line to Canada.

That, given that the alarming rate of suicide in Canada constitutes a national health crisis, the House call on the government to take immediate action, in collaboration with our provinces, to establish a national suicide prevention hotline that consolidates all suicide crisis numbers into one easy to remember three-digit (988) hot-line that is accessible to all Canadians.

I am asking municipalities in Sturgeon River-Parkland to consider passing a motion like the one offered below.

The past year has been a challenging year. Lives and livelihoods have been lost. We have begun to see the devastating impacts that COVID-19 has had, through isolation, on the mental health of Canadians. The rates of suicide continue to rise. As elected officials and as leaders, and especially during this period of difficulty as a nation, Canadians are counting on all of us to make a difference.

Please consider passing this motion as soon as possible. Personally, you can support the cause by signing our electronic petition at: https://petitions.ourcommons.ca/en/Petition/Details?Petition=e-2772

Sincerely.

Dane Lloyd, M.P.

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