

DISTRICT OF KENORA UNINCORPORATED AREAS RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

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Good day,

Our organization, the District of Kenora Unincorporated Areas Ratepayers Association (DoKURA), would like to add our support to your efforts to improve 9-1-1 service across Ontario. DoKURA represents the interests of 25,000 seasonal and year-round residents in the southern portion of the Kenora District and the issue of 9-1-1 service has long been a concern. Many homes and businesses located outside of municipal areas lack this vital emergency communications service which includes not only the universally recognized North America telephone calling number, but a means of locating the property where emergency assistance is needed.

We have advocated to the Ontario government for over two decades that this service should be mandatory for all areas of the province, with government financial assistance provided for its set up and operation where no local agency exists to do so.

We are pleased to see you have not let this issue drop by re-introducing your 9-1-1 Everywhere in Ontario Act, after first proposing it in 2019 prior to the last provincial election

If there is anything we can do as an organization to assist or support your efforts please let us know. Additional information about our organization can be accessed at <https://dokura.com/>.

The attachment lists other areas without 9-1-1 services that we are aware of.

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Additional Areas without 9-1-1 Service

McKenzie Clearwater served by McKenzie Clearwater Volunteer Fire & Keeman Local Services Board

Fire: 807-547-2400

Ambulance: 807-468-3311

Police: 888-310-1122

Redditt served by Redditt Volunteer Fire

Fire: 807-407-0895

Minaki served by Minaki Volunteer Fire

Fire: 807-224-1100