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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Letter of Support for Rainbow Camp® and a Permanent Year-Round Facility

As the Member of Provincial Parliament for Algoma–Manitoulin, I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the Welcome Friend Association and its efforts to secure and develop a permanent home for Rainbow Camp®.

For more than a decade, Rainbow Camp® has provided a safe, welcoming and affirming environment for 2SLGBTQ+ youth and allied youth. The camp has welcomed young people from across Northern Ontario and throughout Canada, helping them build confidence, develop leadership skills, form lasting friendships and experience a sense of belonging.

The Welcome Friend Association is now working toward establishing a permanent, accessible and year-round facility. This would provide long-term stability for Rainbow Camp® while also allowing the organization to expand its services beyond the summer months.

The vision for the property includes year-round programming for youth, older adults, seniors, parents, caregivers and families. It would provide space for workshops, learning circles, retreats, leadership development, community gatherings and other activities that promote connection, understanding and inclusion.

The proposed facility could also serve as a regional resource by providing meeting, retreat and conference space for community organizations and service providers from across the Algoma District. This would create opportunities for collaboration while supporting economic and community activity within the region.

People living in rural and northern communities can face significant barriers when seeking supportive, inclusive and culturally appropriate services. A permanent home for Rainbow Camp® would help address some of these barriers by creating a safe and welcoming place where people can connect, learn and receive support.

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I recognize the important contribution that Rainbow Camp® and the Welcome Friend Association have made to Thessalon, the Algoma District and communities across Ontario. I support their efforts to pursue funding, partnerships and other resources needed to move this project forward.

I wish the Welcome Friend Association every success as it works to establish a permanent home for Rainbow Camp® and expand its year-round programming.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bill Rosenberg'.

MPP Bill Rosenberg
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