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**Re: Fire Suppression Safety**

Minister Bennett,

I am writing you regarding an extremely concerning and urgent matter of public safety in the community of Marten Falls that is too similar to conditions on reserve across the country. I am asking you to immediately investigate this matter and rectify it as quickly as possible.

The fire suppression system in the school in Marten Falls is currently not operational and it is my understanding that it has not been operational for 20 years. The alarm system does not work. The sprinklers do not work. And the water reservoir does not have enough pressure for the water to be pumped through the system.

As a former school board trustee I know that if this were the case in schools that were under my jurisdiction, they would have been immediately shut down. Ensuring the safety of children on the hope and prayer that a fire will never happen, is simply unacceptable.

I ask that you immediately look into this matter and ensure that the safety of the community is rectified as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'C. Angus'.

Charlie Angus  
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