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DNSSAB Announces New Cohabitation Tenancy Model in Partnership with Canadore College

Innovative housing solution to address affordable housing needs in North Bay

North Bay, ON: The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) announces a new partnership with Canadore College to introduce a cohabitation tenancy model at 681 Commercial Street, North Bay. This initiative aims to provide affordable housing solutions for older adults through innovative cohabitation arrangements.

Key Highlights:

- A total of 61 units will be available under the cohabitation model, with 39 units ready for occupancy and an additional 22 units available from May 1, 2025.
- The cohabitation model allows two individuals to share a 2-bedroom apartment,
 each having their own room while sharing common areas.
- Eligible individuals from the subsidized housing waiting list and the Coordinated Access Nipissing Prioritization List will be prioritized.
- Units will be incorporated into Canadore College's Village model and will include a variety of health and wellness services.

"We're thrilled about this collaboration with Canadore College," said Mark King, DNSSAB Chair. "It's a perfect example of how we're thinking outside the box to create sustainable housing solutions that truly benefit our community. This cohabitation model does more than just provide affordable housing – it fosters companionship and a sense of security for our older residents. It's a step towards our mission of creating healthy, sustainable communities for everyone."

"We're pleased to be partnering with DNSSAB on this unique project which is an extension of our Village model. Multigenerational housing is a key component to healthy communities and healthy aging. This endeavour is supported by Canadore's guiding pillars, specifically connection to community and program and service excellence. Not only does this initiative provide housing in a unique model, but it also



expands the applied learning opportunities for our students," said George Burton, Canadore College President and CEO.

To access the waiting list, please contact DNSSAB Housing Access at 705-474-2151 ext. 45589 or via email at housingaccess@dnssab.ca.

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