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Please accept my submission regarding my opinions on bill 37.

This letter was prompted by the horrific conditions residents experienced in the Southbridge owned Orchard Villa LTC home but applies to all LTC homes.

When Premier Ford was first elected and Covid hit, I was truly impressed by his words of reassurance. The implications from his many public statements led me to believe that the LTC system would be fixed. As of today my extreme disappointment in his governments in-actions to address issues prompts me to write.

Facts:

The Ford Government has not made any owner of privately run homes accountable for careless or negligence in their operations, despite the ability to do so. The RQI inspections that were in effect until the Ford government cancelled them in 2018 should be reinstated and the current bill 218 should be repealed immediately.

LTC home operators should be made accountable for their actions.

The 4 hrs of care “target” to be met in 2025 should be repealed. Residents of LTC homes need quality care now!

It is painfully obvious that share owners of these operations take precedence over quality of care of the residents. I would like to see all LTC homes publicly run to eliminate this.

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