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Dear Media Partners

It is with profound sadness that all Members of the Board of Directors for the Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society have tendered their resignation, effective October 23, 2024.

We were notified on October 22<sup>nd</sup> that the Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services intended to install a Supervisor on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, as provided for in legislation (Child, Youth and Family Services Act). Board Members can no longer meet their fiduciary duty when this happens.

The Board worked diligently to avert this from happening; however, the difficulties we experienced are echoed across the sector and were not repairable within the structures and guidelines we must work within.

Although there will be difficult days ahead, we know that the staff and leadership team at Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society will continue to provide excellent care and service to the children, youth and families in our communities.

Sincerely,

KHCAS Board of Directors