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Dear AYD,

Phillip has informed me that you have been under a great deal of stress lately as a result of all that has been taking place. The emotional strain of the court cases will be a great burden for you and I know from personal experience the pressure that you come under from various media organisations.

Phillip also advised me that you were taking medication to help you with the emotional trauma you have been experiencing but that because of the cost of \$60 per box for the medication, you have discontinued its use. Upon hearing this, I made application on your behalf to our Professional Standards Committee for a grant to allow you to purchase the medication you require. AYD, I hope you do not mind me doing this for you.

The Professional Standards Committee was pleased to approve a payment to you to purchase this medication. Accordingly, please find herewith a cheque from our Professional Standards Office for \$180 to allow you to purchase 3 boxes of the medication you require. If you require any more of the medication to assist you through the difficult days ahead please let Phillip, Anne Czekanski, our Professional Standards Office Response Co-Ordinator, or myself know, and the request will be channelled through the normal Professional Standards Committee process.

AYD, the whole purpose of the Professional Standards Committee is to assist former Neerkol residents cope with the problems they are experiencing today as a result of their time at Neerkol. I would be much happier if I knew that should you ever need assistance, you would not hesitate to ask the Professional Standards Committee to provide that assistance.

Thank you for all that you do to assist the reconciliation process and I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Best Wishes,

Di-Anne Rowan
Congregational Leader