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Secretary
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Dear Sir/Madam :

At the regular Board meeting of January 10, 2006, the Louis Riel School Division Board of Trustees passed a motion endorsing the Manitoba Association of School Trustees' written submission on the proposed changes to the Employment Standards Act.

We endorse the MAST position in support of the status quo whereby the Employment Standards Code requires a permit for children under the age of 16 to start employment in any occupation. As outlined in MAST's written submission, we agree that this important requirement ensures that there are some reasonable controls in place as to the extent and nature of the work engaged in by our province's young people.

We thank you for your consideration.

Yours Truly,

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Mike Ducharme, Chairperson
Louis Riel School Division Board of Trustees

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