



Manufactured Homeowners Coalition of Michigan, Inc.

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Dear Representatives Steve Tobocoman (Committee Chair) and Paul Condino (Majority Vice-chair)

Early in the year 2005 Frank Accavitti introduced Bill #4459 and Leon Drolet Bill #4695 Bills that would establish and protect the rights of manufactured home park residents entitled, "Manufactured home owners' residency act (association act)". The Officers of MOCOM (Manufactured Homeowners Coalition of Michigan, Inc.) had a meeting with, Representatives Frank Accavitti, Dan Accavitti, Leon Drolet and Senator Alan Sanborn to encourage them to support and to enact these Bills into LAW.

MOCOM officers also went to Lansing and met with our State Representative, John P. Stakoe, Floor Leader and related to you why we need our residency act ("Manufactured Homeowners' Residency Act also called association act). At that time he seemed very concerned about residents, constituents and their living conditions in these communities.

Representatives would unite to get this enacted into law. We asked to be notified when these Bills came before the House so we could be present. It is now about 11 months later and we have not heard anything from our Legislators or from John Stakoe. We contacted John Stakoe by Registered mail so we could give positive encouragement to citizens living in these communities that our request to have rights restored to us that we have been denied.

We are puzzled and ask why was Bill #5832 acted upon last year with urgency, passed from the House to the Senate and in a few day's time and our Bills #4459 and #4695 are stalemated, lost and pushed aside once again by our Legislature. Are we to believe this indicates that we are citizens that do not deserve to be heard or unworthy to be considered to give the same rights as other citizens because we live in a manufactured housing community? It is now 3 years and 3 months as of today that we find that our Legislators, once more are stalling and not pushing or trying to pass these Bills that we so desperately need to make our living conditions better?

Frank Accavitti has once again introduced House Bill 4429 that would establish and protect the rights of manufactured homeowners in Manufactured Communities

We question why are homeowners renting in Manufactured Housing Communities being discriminated against by our **LEGISLATURE**, Representatives and Senators both at the State and Federal level. We are homeowners fighting for rights we have been denied because we rent the land in these communities. If there were affordable housing in every state, in the United States, there would be no need for these communities. There are more and more homeless people on the streets in shelters because our government does not push for and provide affordable housing for the less fortunate, jobless, elderly, low income and retired people in our country. We need to have our legislative bodies make and pass laws to protect those who live in Manufactured Housing Communities and/or provide proper adequate housing FOR ALL CITIZENS IN OUR COUNTRY and this means affordable housing so we too can live with dignity.

We need help now from our Representatives and Senators to get our MANUFACTURED HOMEOWNERS RESIDENCY ACT **passed now**. We can be reached by **E-mail: royrg1@juno.com; by phone: Louise Groesbeck (586) 463-0279**, Clarence Cook (586) 247-6380 or **by mail to P.O. Box 180101 Utica, MI 48318-0101**.

Please take the time to reply to our letter and let us know when House Bill 4429 will be brought before the Committee, House, to be acted on.

Sincerely,

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