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NEWS RELEASE — 5 November 2014 OROMOCTO SPECIAL CARE HOME

(Oromocto, NB) The Town is very pleased to announce a special care home will be built within the Town of Oromocto at the corner of Mitchell Street and MacDonald Avenue.

The Town of Oromocto initially sold the property in 2007 to a developer for the purpose of constructing a seniors' facility. The project started in 2008 with the pouring of the foundation but stalled for five years until ADI Atlantic Inc. bought the property in 2013. Council looked upon the project with hope and optimism that an operator could be found to continue the vision set out by Council as they believed there was a strong need from within the area for such a service. Mr. John McDonald, President of ADI Atlantic, was then introduced to Dr. Paul Smyth and Mr. Marty Hood (owners of Gagetown Special Care Home) and Mr. Gerard Gilbert (owner of Riverside Guardian Pharmacy).

At that time Town Council was very anxious to address the lack of a special care home in the Town and recognized the importance of this proposal for the citizens. For that reason they entered into an economic development agreement with Oromocto Special Care Home to assist with the installation of a number of utility and other site services and to ensure sufficient parking would be available for staff and visitors. MLA, Jody Carr, was also a key player in pursuing the required allocation of special care beds for the new facility from the provincial government. Co-owner, Marty Hood states, "We are pleased to be able to offer these services within the Town of Oromocto and looking forward to being a responsible corporate citizen."

The Oromocto Special Care Home will be located at 225 Mitchell Street in Oromocto, NB. The facility will be a 55-bed facility constructed to offer specialized care beds, Level 2 care beds and Level 4 care beds. The building will also include commercial space on the ground floor for a pharmacy and medical offices. Construction has started and completion is expected by November 2015. It is estimated the facility once fully operational will create 38 health-care related jobs.

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