



## **PETTY HARBOUR FISHERMEN'S PRODUCER CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD.**

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Dear Kimberly;

Petty Harbour Fishermen's Producer Co-Operative Society is pleased to provide this letter of support for Fishing For Success and your plans to develop a 'model fishing village' on the Island Rooms property.

We believe that fishing is central to the culture of Newfoundland and Labrador, that the local traditional fishing knowledge and skill should be taught to our youth, and that our tourists would have a grand visit to Petty Harbour joining in on a session of net mending or fish filleting. The fishers of the Petty Harbour Fishermen's Producer Co-Operative Society are looking forward to working with Fishing For Success to help create the next generation of fishers, guaranteeing that the work of our fathers (getting the fish) and our mothers (making the fish) will continue into the future. We remember as children cutting out tongues for the older fishermen, from the age of 11 or 12 there were children helping in the work of making fish. We were proud to do it. We hope that this project will bring back a little of that again. Bring the youngsters back to the water, and learning about their heritage.

Island Rooms of Petty Harbour is right in the middle of the harbour and the fact that the land has been cleared of fishing stages and flakes for so many years has been a great loss. The re-creation of a fishing premise on the property will be a great addition to the entire community and add to other tourist attractions, such as the Petty Harbour Mini Aquarium. Additionally, Fishing For Success plans to build a wheelchair accessible fishing pier near a favourite trout fishing spot on the Petty Harbour River which will benefit our aging population and handicapped of all ages.

We look forward to partnering with Fishing For Success on projects that further both our organizational goals: knowledge and skill of the inshore fishery is valuable and must be taught to our youth, and that fishing will always be the vital component of sustaining communities in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Regards,

Tom Best, President