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The Honourable Mark Furey  
Minister, Municipal Affairs

Minister Furey:

The UNSM Board of Directors would like you to consider adding the following MGA amendment to those being considered for the Fall of 2015:

***Amend Section 8 of the MGA so that municipalities have the ability to regulate architecture through the site plan approval process.***

This would represent another important tool to assist municipalities in achieving important land-use planning goals. It would also serve to maintain and enhance community identity and vibrancy.

This tool is already available to Halifax through the HRM Charter and therefore should be made available for the benefit of all municipalities.

Please give this serious consideration when developing MGA amendments for the Fall of 2015.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

**Warden Keith Hunter**  
**UNSM President**

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