IN THE MATTER between **FORT PROVIDENCE HOUSING ASSOCIATION**, Applicant, and **JASON CAUSA AND CRYSTAL GARGAN**, Respondents;

AND IN THE MATTER of the **Residential Tenancies Act** R.S.N.W.T. 1988, Chapter R-5 (the "Act");

AND IN THE MATTER of a Hearing before, **HAL LOGSDON**, Rental Officer, regarding the rental premises at **FORT PROVIDENCE**, **NT**.

BETWEEN:

FORT PROVIDENCE HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Applicant/Landlord

- and -

JASON CAUSA AND CRYSTAL GARGAN

Respondents/Tenants

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to section 42(3)(e) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondents shall pay the applicant costs related to the repair of tenant damages to the premises in the amount of two hundred seventy seven dollars and four cents (\$277.04).

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories this 24th day of July, 2003.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer

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REASONS FOR DECISION

July 15, 2003
Fort Providence, NT
Diana Gargan, representing the applicant
July 25, 2003

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The respondents were served with Notices of Attendance on June 20, 2003 but failed to appear at the hearing. The hearing was held in their absence.

The applicant alleged that the respondents had breached the tenancy agreement by failing to repair damages to the premises which were caused by their negligence. The applicant repaired the alleged damages and sought compensation for the costs of repair.

The applicant provided an invoice and work order outlining the work completed which was the repair of a broken door. The total costs of material and labour were \$377.04. The applicant testified that the damage was the result of tenant negligence and not normal wear and tear. The applicant indicated that the respondents had made one payment of \$100, bringing the balance owing to \$277.04

I find the damages were the result of tenant negligence and find the costs reasonable. An order shall be issued requiring the respondents to pay the applicant costs related to the repair of tenant damages to the premises in the amount of \$277.04

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer