IN THE MATTER between **NTHC**, Applicant, and **MW**, Respondent.

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 Adelle Guigon, Rental Officer,

BETWEEN:

NTHC

Applicant/Landlord

-and-

MW

Respondent/Tenant

REASONS FOR DECISION

Date of the Hearing: January 30, 2018

<u>Place of the Hearing</u>: Hay River, Northwest Territories

Appearances at Hearing: AS, representing the applicant

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An application to a rental officer made by HRHA on behalf of the NTHC as the applicant/landlord against MW as the respondent/tenant was filed by the Rental Office October 24, 2017. The application was made regarding a residential tenancy agreement for a rental premises located in Hay River, Northwest Territories. The filed application was served on the respondent by registered mail signed for January 10, 2018.

The applicant alleged the respondent had repeatedly failed to pay rent when due and had accumulated rental arrears. An order was sought for payment of the rental arrears and payment of future rent on time.

A hearing was scheduled for January 30, 2018, in Hay River. AS appeared representing the applicant. MW was served notice of the hearing by registered mail signed for January 10, 2018. The respondent did not appear at the hearing, nor did anyone appear on the respondent's behalf. The hearing proceeded in the respondent's absence pursuant to subsection 80(2) of the *Residential Tenancies Act* (the Act).

Tenancy agreement

The applicant's representative testified and evidence was presented establishing a residential tenancy agreement between the parties for subsidized public housing commencing April 1, 2012. I am satisfied a valid tenancy agreement is in place in accordance with the Act.

Rental arrears

The statements of account and client aged details (rent documents) entered into evidence represent the landlord's accounting of monthly assessed rents and payments received against the respondent's rent account. All rents have been subsidized and are currently assessed at \$80 per month. Either insufficient or no payments were received in seven of the last 12 months of the tenancy.

I am satisfied the rent documents accurately reflect the current status of the respondent's rent account. I find the respondent has repeatedly failed to pay the full amount of rent when due and has accumulated rental arrears in the amount of \$183.50.

Orders

An order will issue requiring the respondent to pay rental arrears in the amount of \$183.50 and requiring the respondent to pay her rent on time in the future.

Adelle Guigon Rental Officer