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Dear Landowners of Ontonagon County:

I am pleased to announce the installation of a **property fraud alert** program in the Register of Deeds Office.

If you wish to receive fraud alerts regarding your real estate, simply contact the Register of Deeds Office. You will need to provide your name and email address. Once your name has been added to the fraud alert list, if a document is recorded under the name given, you will receive an email alert.

Keep in mind that there is the possibility of 'false positives', such as a person having a common name like John Smith, but it is better than allowing a fraudulent recording to go unchecked. While this program will not prevent fraud from happening, you will be alerted if a document has been recorded and have the opportunity to take appropriate action.

Sadly, real estate fraud is becoming increasingly common. This service is currently in use in other counties across the state and I am proud to help protect the citizens of Ontonagon County.

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Sincerely,

Ontonagon County Clerk/Register