Residents plagued with insulation poison can get it removed from walls

THE INSULATION is associated with eye, nose, throat and other irritate contractor must have knowledge of the specific procedures to cure international (UFFI) claims to be the only firm in Michigan licensed to with the allegedly hazardosus doam.

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Southfield bome builder Connie Ann Gordon, a partner in the company, has been registered by the Canadian government after taking a course in testing, corrective measures and removal of the substance.

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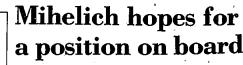
aware of ill effects, many of them report symptons which are typical of exposure to formaldebyde."

Symptons, according to Simpson, include irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, nausea, vomiting and nose bleeds. Fungus may grow in the decomposing foam, causing asthmatic problems—whereing, coughing and difficulty in breathing, he said.

As a result of publicity, consumer advocacy groups have been formed. Among them is Cittzens Engaged in Re-moval of Toxic Substances (CERTS), founded four months ago by a Berkley couple who had problems with UFFI.

The 130-member group before to convince the federal government to compensate insulation victims. Congressman Hertel recently introduced a bill which would permit a federal tax credit of up to \$10,000 to boncowners for removal of the substance.

"THE RESALE value of UFFI-insu-lated homes has dropped and many homeowners need to have the foam re-moved or treated in order to sell their homes," Simpson said.



ferred her to Detroit. Several years lat-er she left "TV Guide" to teach English and creative writing at St. Hedwig High School in southwest Detroit. "I understand some of the frustra-tions of education from the teacher's point of view," she said.

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"At St. Hedwig, the board was totally closed. Teachers weren't supposed to attend, and you had to make an appointment to present something. And after the presentation was made, you were forced to leave."

Like some other candidates, Mihelich feels that declining enrollment and the resulting teacher layoffs are problems in the Farmington district.

"I met with Mr. (Lew) Schulman (the superintendent of schools), and I've read his mid-year report and the end report from last year," she said, "and there seems to be a consensus that declining enrollment might be a problem." It stands to reason. There are fewer students now, and some adjustments will have to be made to the schools. We'd like to make it as patinless as possible.

Another problem, Mihelich said, is "public knowledge" or the lack of it, of school affairs.
"I' was surprised, going around with y (nominating) petition, at the number of voters who weren't registered to vote and who didn't even know where their polling places are.
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MIHELICH, WHO lives in an apartment on Freedom Road, is the only candidate from the city of Farmington. The other five hopefuls reside in Farmington Hills.

'I think there needs to be more representation from Farmington on the board," she said.

Mihelich, who hopes to earn a matter's degree in urban planning some day, has served on a parks board in Minnesota and has beld positions in Common Ground and the Michigan Disabete Association in this area.

All six candidates are pewcomers to elective politics. Incumbent Michael Shploce, who served two terms on the board, is not seeking re-election.

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