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July 24, 2019

Honourable Rob Fleming Ministry of Education PO Box 9045 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Honourable Rob Fleming:

Re: Provincial Support for Libraries

At the Regular Council Meeting of July 8, 2019, the District of Elkford received correspondence from the City of Victoria dated May 29, 2019 requesting favourable consideration and a resolution of support to restore Provincial funding for libraries. By way of resolution, the District supports advocating for the restoration of library funding to a level that reflects both inflationary cost increases since 2009 and the value of this system to the Province.

The District of Elkford values the vital services that public libraries provide and believes that Provincial restoration of library funding supports Provincial initiatives to eliminate poverty, improve access to education and address social justice in British Columbia.

Sincerely,

Dean McKerracher

Mayor

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