September 5, 2023

Re: Caledonia Nordic Ski Club expansion application

To Mayor Simon Yu and City Council Members:

I am a resident of Miworth and am writing in full support of the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club's application to expand the network of cross country ski trails that currently serve our community.

I am a mother of three young children. Cross country skiing and the Caledonia Nordic facilities provide my family with access to amazing winter activities and a strong healthy community. These trails and facilities allow families to access nature and fitness through long winter months. They teach our community about respect in nature and preserving our environment. Preserving green space and providing safe access points for skiers helps ensure the space and trails are used appropriately.

We have participated in the skills development program for the last 5 years. We value this program and the athletic and social opportunities it provides. We ski with past Olympians and see junior racers grow, develop and compete. We have also seen crowded facilities, programs cancelled and events limited due to inadequate space. In some cases, recreational skiers have reduced access to the facilities during these events. An increased trail network would allow all skiers and athletes to continue their sport in harmony.

Please include my correspondence in the council meeting agenda. It is my hope that the City of Prince George lends its support to this application.

Sincerely,

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