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To the City of Prince George Council:

The BC Heritage Fairs Society is a registered charity (# 883669509 RR 0001) that organizes heritage-focused programming, and our annual signature event is the BC Provincial Heritage Fair. The Provincial Heritage Fair brings together elementary school and high school delegations from across BC to present their Heritage Fair projects on topics in Canadian history.

This is a platform of great significance, as societally-relevant conversations about social justice, truth and reconciliation, and equity are a key focus. Providing young students with an opportunity to engage with these topics with a critical perspective is crucial to growing stalwart community leaders and well-informed citizens.

The Fair location changes annually, and in July of 2023, **we are excited to bring the Provincial Heritage Fair to Prince George.** This will be our first in-person Fair since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, and is an important provincial-level celebration of the efforts of these young historians, leaders, and researchers. The Provincial Fair experience is fully sponsored and at no cost for the students.

We are also thrilled to be formally inviting the City of Prince George Council to attend the Fair. Moreover, if the City is able to support in any capacity with our \$43,000 fundraising campaign to bring the Provincial Fair to Prince George, it would be greatly appreciated. I am happy to arrange a meeting to discuss the details of this request further.

Thank you for your consideration.

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