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Dear Mayor Helps and Mr. Hansen:

Your joint letter of April 6, 2018, addressed to the Honourable Carole James, Minister of Finance has been referred to me for response. I am also writing in response to your letter and attachments of April 24, 2018, providing an update on the City of Victoria's Crystal Pool and Wellness Centre Replacement Project (the project). I apologize for the delayed response.

Thank you for the project update that you provided. The recreational amenities offered by the new Crystal Pool and Wellness Centre (the facility) will certainly benefit residents in the region.

I appreciate the value of the services that the new facility will provide; however, the Ministry of Health's capital budget is reserved for major construction, equipment and upgrading of new and existing hospitals and other health care facilities.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing operates a number of grant programs that may be of interest to you, such as Local Government Grants and the Community Gaming Grants Program. There is information available about Local Government Grants available at: http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/finance/grants.htm. The following link provides additional information, including the eligibility criteria and application process, for the Community Gaming Grants Program (https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/gambling-fundraising/gaming-grants/community-gaming-grants).

Thank you for your continuing efforts in promoting healthy lifestyles in your community. I wish you great success with the project, and appreciate the opportunity to respond.

Sincerely,

Adrian Dix

Minister

pc: Honourable Carole James, Minister of Finance

Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing