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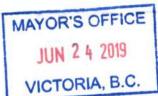
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Honourable Rob Fleming Minister of Education PO Box 9045 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Re: Restore Provincial Support for Libraries

Dear Minister,

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At our last meeting on June 11, 2019 Council made a motion to support the request from the City of Victoria to restore Provincial support for libraries. We feel that libraries are education centers that should be available to the public whether your doing research or using it as a quiet place to enjoy a book or old books. Funding should be available to maintain the level of service that has been offered in the past. If funding rates do not increase with inflation services cannot be offered at the same level. Municipalities through taxes should not have to carry the costs of ensuring service levels are kept the same in each community.

We feel funding levels need to increase with inflation in order to provide the services that currently are offered by municipalities.

**Best Regards** 

Knut Bjorndal,

Mayor

c: Council

City of Victoria