TOWN OF LADYSMITH

June 27, 2019

File: 0400-20

Via email: EDUC.Minister@gov.bc.ca

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

Dear Minister Fleming:

Re: Provincial Support for Libraries

At the Regular Council Meeting of June 17, 2019, Council of the Town of Ladysmith unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the City of Victoria's request for Provincial support for libraries.

Council respectfully requests the Province of British Columbia's support and consideration to increase support to restore provincial funding for libraries. In 2017, the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities endorsed a similar request brought forward by both the Town of Ladysmith and the City of Powell River.

The Town of Ladysmith values our libraries and believes they are critically important to a democratic and free society.

Sincerely,

Aaron Stone

Mayor

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