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The Honourable Selina Robinson
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Re: Cannabis Sales Revenue Sharing

As expressed by other local governments within BC, there is a need to discuss impacts to local governments and to share in the revenue generated from the implementation of the legalization of cannabis.

Current discussions regarding revenue sharing involve the Federal and Provincial governments with no inclusion of local governments. Ultimately, the legalization will entail additional costs for local governments both in social and policing costs. A Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) paper is stating that the impact may affect policing, fire services, building codes, city planning, municipal licensing and standards, public health, social services, communications, law, etc.

The District of Sicamous is requesting your support, by agreeing to 50% of the provincial share of the cannabis tax sharing formula be provided to local governments. This is an adequate and equitable share to help support costs and services incurred by local governments.

Regards,

DISTRICT OF SICAMOUS

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Rysz", is written over a horizontal line.

Terry Rysz
Mayor

cc: UBCM Member Municipalities