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The Honourable Christine Boyle Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs Via email: HMA.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Dear Minister Boyle:

RE: CONGRATULATIONS ON RECENT APPOINTMENT

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Capital Regional District (CRD), please accept our sincere congratulations on your recent appointment as the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs.

The CRD values the strong partnerships we have with our provincial representatives, and we believe there are many areas where our efforts align to advance shared priorities such as housing affordability, homelessness prevention, and resilient, livable communities.

A 2023-2026 CRD Board strategic priority is to ensure residents have access to affordable housing that enhances livability by increasing the supply of affordable, inclusive, and adequate housing in the region. Through the Capital Region Housing Corporation (CRHC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the CRD, we directly provide and manage affordable housing across the capital region, serving over 4,300 tenants in 53 housing complexes across eight municipalities. The CRHC plays a critical role in delivering safe, accessible, and affordable housing, and we welcome opportunities to collaborate with your ministry to expand and strengthen this work.

The CRD has submitted a request to meet with you during the upcoming Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention in September, and we hope to have the opportunity to speak with you there about areas of mutual interest and continued partnership. I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss areas of mutual interest, explore potential collaborations, and ensure that we are working together to address the needs and priorities of the residents of the capital region.

Please feel free to contact me at any time, by email at crdchair@crd.bc.ca or, to coordinate a meeting, please contact Carolyn Jenkinson, Manager, Executive Operations by email at cjenkinson@crd.bc.ca or phone 250-360-3125.

Sincerely,

Cliff McNeil-Smith

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Chair, Capital Regional District Board

cc: CRD Board

Ted Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer, CRD