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British Columbia Historical Federation

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Premier Gordon Campbell
Office of the Premier
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Dear Premier Campbell

The British Columbia Historical Federation is an umbrella group representing 200 society memberships who represent 25,780 members through British Columbia who have the common goal to preserve and promote British Columbia's rich history.

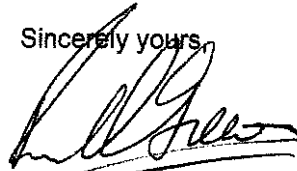
The Federation supports the application to The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada to designate the Riverview Lands and Buildings as a National Historic site but this application cannot proceed until the British Columbia government endorses the application.

The importance of the heritage buildings, arboretum, botanical gardens and the landscapes reflects the legacy of caring for the mentally ill and is a piece of history that spans over one hundred years that must be saved and shared with British Columbians and tourists to B.C.

As a National Historic Site, Riverview can continue to serve the mentally ill and all Canadians as a treatment and research centre, be a conference centre and education centre which would see the site being used and generating revenue. In addition, the buildings and grounds would be a horticultural and architectural legacy for the citizens of British Columbia and be a valuable tourist destination.

We request that on behalf of our 25,780 members that the government endorse the application for the designation as a National Historic Site that would become a historical gift to all British Columbians and Canadians from your government, to be cherished and cared for with pride for generations to come.

Sincerely yours,



Ronald A. Greene
President

Also to:

*Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid
Minister of Tourism, Trade and Investment
PO Box 9071, Stn Prov Govt
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*Honourable Stephanie Cadieux
Community, Sport and Cultural Development
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*Honourable Rich Coleman
Minister of Housing
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November 15, 2010

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President
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Dear Mr. Greene:

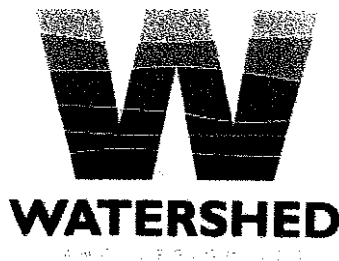
Thank you for your letter regarding Riverview lands and buildings. I note that you have also shared your recommendations with Ministers Coleman, MacDiarmid and Cadieux. Please be assured that your comments will be included in related discussions.

I appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gordon Campbell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gordon" and last name "Campbell" clearly distinguishable.

Gordon Campbell
Premier



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October 18, 2010

Office of the Premier
Premier Gordon Campbell
PO Box 9041
STN PROV GOVT
Victoria, BC V8W 9E1

Dear Premier Campbell:

I'm writing to ask that your government endorse the application by the City of Coquitlam to have the Riverview Lands in that city declared a National Historic Site.

I have visited the site many times, for inspiration as a student and later a professional, and for relaxation with my family. It is a remarkable site, filled with beautiful and historic trees and acres of green space, and there really are very few like it.

I am a member of the Riverview Horticultural Centre Society, and have been one for many years. But my contribution to its work is really quite small compared to what dozens of its volunteers have done for so many years in their efforts to preserve the site. They are so dedicated simply because of the greatness of the lands, and what they mean to the Lower Mainland's environment and to the quality of life of the people who live here.

The Historical Sites and Monuments Board of Canada is unable to proceed in its decision to designate the Riverview Lands as a National Historic Site until your government endorses the application. Your support in this matter would go a very long way in creating a healing and historic natural legacy for British Columbians in a rapidly expanding metropolis.

Your government has shown considerable foresight in many of its decisions during your tenure. I am asking that you do so once again on this matter. We can't do it without you!

Thank you,

Mike Dezell
Watershed Land Design Ltd.

Cc: Honourable Kevin Falcon, Honourable Rich Coleman, Honourable Kevin Krueger
Honourable Barry Penner, MLA Diane Thorne, MLA Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid

October 26, 2010

Mike Dezell
Watershed Land Design Ltd.
232 West 14th Avenue
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Dear Mr. Dezell:

Thank you for your letter calling on the provincial government to support an application before the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada to have the Riverview lands recognized as a National Historic Site.

As part of its responsibilities, Shared Services BC (SSBC) manages, on behalf of the Government of British Columbia, a diverse real estate portfolio of leased and government owned properties that extend throughout the province, including heritage buildings. As representative of the owner, I understand SSBC has declined to support the nomination. However, the Heritage Branch team of our Ministry of Tourism, Trade and Investment is encouraging SSBC to develop a conservation planning approach to the Riverview lands. If you would like to forward your comments directly to SSBC's Chief Operating Officer, you can email Mr. Bert Phipps at Bert.Phipps@gov.bc.ca.

Again, thank you for sending us your thoughts.

Sincerely,



Gordon Campbell
Premier

The Port Coquitlam Heritage & Cultural Society

**Heritage Display Center
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October 20, 2010

Office of the Premier
Premier Gordon Campbell
PO Box 9041
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Victoria, BC
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Dear Premier,

On behalf of the Port Coquitlam and Cultural Society, we appeal to the Provincial Government to support the City of Coquitlam's application to the Federal Government to have the Riverview Lands recognized as a National Historic Site. The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada has recently informed the City that its application cannot be advanced without the approval of the Province of British Columbia, the landowners of the Riverview Lands.

PoCo Heritage recognizes the strong historic connection between our community and Riverview, the importance of its heritage buildings and landscapes, the value of its arboretum and botanical diversity, its legacy of caring for the mentally ill, the importance of preserving its wildlife corridors, streams, and green space in a rapidly expanding metropolis. As a National Historic Site, Riverview can still serve the mentally ill and all Canadians as a treatment and research centre, a conference centre, and an education centre. As well, its horticultural and architectural legacy would be a valued and valuable tourist destination.

We believe that Riverview could become a historical gift to all British Columbians and Canadians from this government, to be cherished and cared for for generations to come. We urge you to provide the necessary letter of endorsement so that the National Historic Site initiative may proceed without further delay.

Yours sincerely,



Pippa Van Velzen
President

cc:

Minister of Health Sciences
Honourable Kevin Falcon
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Minister of Housing and Social
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Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts
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Minister of the Environment
Honourable Barry Penner
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October 26, 2010

Pippa Van Velzen, President
The Port Coquitlam Heritage and Cultural Society
2571 Mary Hill Road
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Dear Ms. Van Velzen:

Thank you for your letter calling on the provincial government to support an application before the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada to have the Riverview lands recognized as a National Historic Site.

As part of its responsibilities, Shared Services BC (SSBC) manages, on behalf of the Government of British Columbia, a diverse real estate portfolio of leased and government owned properties that extend throughout the province, including heritage buildings. As representative of the owner, I understand SSBC has declined to support the nomination. However, the Heritage Branch team of our Ministry of Tourism, Trade and Investment is encouraging SSBC to develop a conservation planning approach to the Riverview lands. If you would like to forward your comments directly to SSBC's Chief Operating Officer, you can email Mr. Bert Phipps at Bert.Phipps@gov.bc.ca.

Again, thank you for sending us your thoughts.

Sincerely,

Gordon Campbell
Premier

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CALL FOR FURTHER ACTION ON THE HISTORIC SITE APPLICATION

Thank you to all our members who responded to our appeal last Fall by sending a personal letter to Premier Campbell. Although we have not yet succeeded in our ultimate goal of gaining support for the Historic Site application, our campaign definitely got the attention of some decision makers. Christy Clark, BC's new premier, formerly represented the riding of Port Moody. Ms. Clark is familiar with the Riverview Lands and is currently setting directions for her government. Please urge her to support the application at this critical time.

A REVIEW OF THE SITUATION:

The City of Coquitlam has applied to the Federal Government (HSMBC) to have Coquitlam's Riverview Hospital Lands recognized as a National Historic Site. However, the process is stalled because it lacks the approval of the landowners - namely the BC Provincial Government. Please add your personal comments to the letter below and send it to:

Premier Christy Clark,

PO Box 9041, STN PROV GOVT, Victoria, BC, V8W 9E1

Email: premier@gov.bc.ca

A personal letter, a copy to your MLA, or a letter to the press would make your voice even louder. For more information or an e-mail version of this appeal, go to www.rhcs.org or call 604-290-9910

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Date:

Dear Premier Clark,

Congratulations on your election as BC Liberal party leader and Premier of BC. In this role and at this time, you have an opportunity to make a simple decision that will cost nothing and may result in your leaving a gift of major significance to the people of B.C.

I urge you to support the application now before the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada (HSMBC) to have Coquitlam's Riverview Hospital Lands recognized as a National Historic Site. The approval process has been put on hold because the HSMBC has been unable to get support for the application from your government, who represent the landowners.

The property has immense historic value but its heritage features are under-used and deteriorating. The provincial hospital located there will be closed within two years. A decision has to be made. As a National Historic Site, Riverview could still serve the needs of the mentally ill as a research, treatment or education facility. The designation would not rule out revenue generating activities and there would likely be federal funds available for maintenance costs. Most importantly, it would ensure that the property remains in public ownership and accessible to all the people of Canada.

On their behalf I implore you to do the right thing and direct your staff to cooperate immediately with the federal board's request to endorse the application.

CHS Board - Coquitlam Heritage Society

Craig Hodge, Chair

Hazel Postma, Vice Chair

Chris Worsley, Treasurer

Anna Tremere, Secretary

Richard Rainey

Don Cummings

Rhuan Piprell

Pat Cooper

John Perry

Full Name:

Coquitlam Heritage Soc.

Signature:

Jul Cook (Executive Director)

Phone #:

604-516-6151

Address:

1116 Brunette Ave.

Coquitlam



July 19, 2011

Jill Cook
Executive Director
Coquitlam Heritage Society
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Coquitlam, BC V3K 1G3

Dear Ms. Cook:

Thank you for your letter regarding the future of the Riverview Hospital lands.

I have noted your support for this property being designated as a National Heritage Site and have shared a copy of your correspondence with the Honourable Stephanie Cadieux, Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services, and Open Government, for her review. Minister Cadieux will appreciate knowing your point of view as well.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Christy Clark
Premier

pc: Honourable Stephanie Cadieux

Boundary Historical Society
PO Box 2346
Grand Forks BC V0H 1H0

Premier Christy Clark
PO Box 9041, Stn. Prov. Govt.
Victoria BC V8W 9E1

May 23, 2011

Dear Premier Clark,

In your role as Premier you have an opportunity to make a simple decision that will cost nothing and may result in your leaving a gift of major significance to the people of B.C. I urge you to support the application now before the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada (HSMBC) to have Coquitlam's Riverview Hospital Lands recognized as a National Historic Site. The approval process has been put on hold because the HSMBC has been unable to get support for the application from your government, who represent the landowners.

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On their behalf I implore you to do the right thing and direct your staff to cooperate immediately with the federal board's request to endorse the application.

Yours truly,



Deb Billwiller, secretary
Boundary Historical Society



June 15, 2011

Deb Bilwiller, Secretary
Boundary Historical Society
PO Box 2346
Grand Forks, BC V0H 1H0

Dear Ms. Bilwiller:

Thank you for your letter regarding the future of the Riverview Hospital lands.

I have noted your support for this property being designated as a National Heritage Site and have shared a copy of your letter with the Honourable Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, for his review. Minister Thomson will appreciate knowing of the Boundary Historical Society's point of view.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Christy Clark
Premier

pc: Honourable Steve Thomson

Pitt Meadows Heritage & Museum Society

(Pitt Meadows Museum and Archives)

Premier Christy Clark
Province of British Columbia
P.O. Box 9041, Station provincial Government
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May 11, 2011

Dear Premier Clark

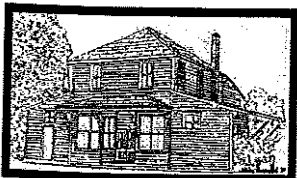
At the April 13th meeting of the Pitt Meadows Heritage and Museum Society a request for a letter of support from the Riverview Horticulture Centre Society in their effort to preserve the Riverview lands with a National Historic Site designation was considered by our group. On motion our group voted to send a copy of the RHC Society's form letter signed by our Society rather than personally by individual members of our Society. Attached is a copy of the letter with our Society President's signature.

Sincerely

Annette Code

Annette Code
President
Pitt Meadows Heritage and Museum Society

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Encl.



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June 2, 2011

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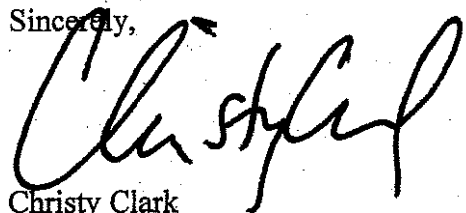
Dear Ms. Code:

Thank you for your letter regarding the future of the Riverview Hospital lands.

I have noted your support for this property being designated as a National Heritage Site and have shared a copy of your letter with the Honourable Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, for his review. Minister Thomson will appreciate knowing your point of view as well.

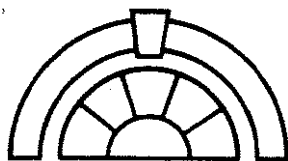
Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,



Christy Clark
Premier

pc: Honourable Steve Thomson



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Premier Christy Clark

PO Box 9041

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Victoria, BC V8W 9E1

2011 April 19

Dear Premier Clark,

Re: Application for National Historic Site - Riverview Hospital Lands

The City of Coquitlam has applied to the Federal Government (HSMBC) to have Coquitlam's *Riverview Hospital Lands* recognised as a *National Historic Site*. This is a significant step towards recognising and preserving a property with such momentous history and incomparable gardens and buildings.

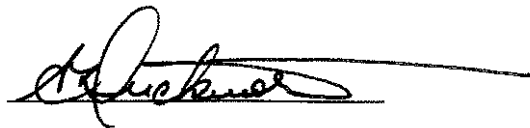
The Province of British Columbia is the owner of this site and must, therefore, provide its support and approval of this application. Such approval costs nothing to the Provincial Government, yet it will result in a significant legacy for the people of BC.

Historic Recognition does not in any way impede the ability of the site to be used as a fully operating facility, generating revenue for the Government. In fact, Historic Recognition may very well open up access to federal funds for maintenance costs.

Most importantly, Historic Recognition of the Riverview Hospital Lands will ensure this magnificent property remains in public ownership and accessible to all the people of British Columbia and Canada.

I urge you to support the application now before the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada to have Coquitlam's Riverview Hospital Lands recognised as a National Historic Site and to direct your staff to quickly endorse this application.

Yours very truly,

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Elisabeth Duckworth, Supervisor
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May 16, 2011

Elizabeth Duckworth, Supervisor
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Dear Ms. Duckworth:

Thank you for your letter regarding the future of the Riverview Hospital lands.

I have noted your support of this property being designated as a National Heritage Site and have shared a copy of your letter with the Honourable Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, for his review. Minister Thomson will appreciate knowing your point of view as well.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Christy Clark
Premier

pc: Honourable Steve Thomson

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March 15, 2011

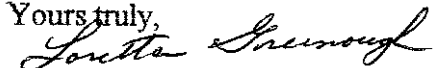
Dear Premier Christy Clark,

On behalf of the North Shuswap Historical Society I urge you to support the application to have Coquitlam's Riverview Hospital Lands recognized as a National Historic Site. I understand that the City of Coquitlam has applied to the Federal Government to have this done and is presently awaiting the Provincial Government to approve this matter.

I feel it is very important that we ensure the property remains in public ownership and accessible to all the people of Canada.

At our last meeting the North Shuswap Historical Society voted unanimously to write this letter.

Yours truly,



Loretta Greenough

President

North Shuswap Historical Society

cc. George Abbott MLA Shuswap



March 29, 2011

Loretta Greenough
President
North Shuswap Historical Society
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Dear Ms. Greenough:

Thank you for your letter and petition, signed by twelve supporters, regarding the future of the Riverview Hospital lands. I have noted your support of the lands as a National Heritage Site and will share your views with the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development. The Honourable Ida Chong will appreciate knowing your point of view as well.

Again, thank you for contacting me about this important matter.

Sincerely,

Christy Clark
Premier

Pc: Honourable Ida Chong

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April 7, 2010

The Honourable Gordon Campbell
Premier of British Columbia
Box 9041
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Victoria, BC
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Dear Premier Campbell:

RE: RIVERVIEW LANDS – Coquitlam, BC

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter written by Brenda Robbins to the Historic Sites & Monuments Board of Canada re the current application concerning the Riverview Lands. Ms. Robbins is a long time member of RHCS but S22 so she requested that we forward a copy of her letter to you for your information.

Yours truly,

Donna Crosby, Secretary
Riverview Horticultural Centre Society

Encl.

Executive Secretary
 Historic Sites & Monuments Board of Canada
 5th Floor. 35 Eddy St -
 Gatineau, Quebec
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Re: The Riverview Lands Application

I am now officially a ^{S22} ^{S22} having
 reached the ripe old age of ^{S22}
 My connection to the Riverview Lands goes
 back to ^{S22} I accompanied
 a friend's father to Riverview (then Essondale)
 to visit - ^{S22} who was
 admitted to Crease Clinic for a three
 month stay. We visited several times
 during the next three months - and
 during that time I decided on my
 life's career as a ^{S22}
 My friend recovered, and I followed
 my profession, going in training in
^{S22} After two years training
 I worked at the ^{S22} until
^{S22} when I resigned to start a family
 In ^{S22} I returned to ^{S22} and
 remained there until retirement in ^{S22}

I have always felt that Finesview was a very special place - very therapeutic for very stressed and mentally ill people. The beauty of the grounds had a healing quality all of their own. Many of my patients walked on the grounds and enjoyed doing so - and the grounds always showed the love & care they provided.

I have never agreed with the idea that Finesview should be closed down & the patients made to live in (a very threatening, hostile & stressful) the community. Many of them end up being taken advantage of, beaten, used, & worse - murdered or committing suicide, because they have been "thrown out" of Finesview.

These grounds should be preserved forever - not made into more high end, high density housing (as they have done with the Woodland School grounds in New Westminster). Housing for difficult to house persons, mentally ill or otherwise should be continued forever! High end, high

density housing can go ANYWHERE!
 Asylum, beauty, and peace cannot!

In recent years the Horticultural Society has come on board and has utilized the beauty & diversity of the tree population to educate. They have been a worthy adjunct to the healing process that has taken place there for so many years. The movie industry has utilized some of the buildings for movie sets - renting areas & paying large sums of money to do so

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 However I continue to be interested in both mental health housing and preserving the Riverview grounds. These grounds should be deemed a National Historic Site and left for everyone to enjoy forever. Anything less would show total disrespect & disregard for our history as Canadians

Yours truly,
 Brenda M. Robbins

cc: Premier Gordon Campbell

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