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December 20, 2017

Honourable Rob Fleming Minister Ministry of Education

Dear Colleague:

The Métis Nation Relationship Accord II (MNRA II) was signed between the Province and Métis Nation British Columbia (MNBC) on November 16, 2016, to strengthen relationships with Métis people and close the gap in the quality of life for Métis people in British Columbia (BC). There are approximately 90,000 Métis people living in BC representing more than 30 percent of the total Indigenous population.

The MNRA II aligns with the Provincial Government's shared commitment to adopt and implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. It identifies a number of subject areas that the Province and MNBC will continue to work on to strengthen relations and close the socio-economic gap including:

- Children and Families
- Education (Lifelong Learning) and Training
- Economic Opportunities (Including Procurement Opportunities and Crown Corporations)
- Health (Community, Family and Individual)
- Housing
- Information Sharing

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- Justice
- Métis Identification and Data Collection
- Wildlife Stewardship

These topics cover a wide range of programs and policies extending across government. I would like to encourage you and your staff to work closely with my ministry and MNBC to take action on the areas of the MNRA II that relate to your mandate. MNBC will be reaching out to many of you to discuss the objectives of the MNRA II and opportunities for collaboration on implementation priorities.

If your staff have questions please have them contact our lead Laurel Nash, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships Division, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation at 250 953-4004 or by email at Laurel.Nash@gov.bc.ca.

I welcome any questions you may have regarding the MNRA II going forward.

Sincerely,

Scott Fraser Minister

Attached: MNRA II

Pc: Clara Morin Dal Col, President

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Dale Drown, Chief Executive Officer Métis Nation British Columbia

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Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Education Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Parliament Buildings Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

Dear Ministers,

January 9, 2018

Re: Community conversations / school districts / regulation of legalized cannabis

I am attaching a letter dated December the 19<sup>th</sup> from Steve Rae, Board chair of my local school district. I had a lengthy conversation with him early in January about the existing impact of cannabis use in the school system and how our local board had tried to deal with it. The point of his letter written on behalf of the board is to be included in community conversations. I am assuming that either of your Ministries or probably both may well be engaged with the BC School Trustees Association and or other individual districts, but my board being progressive and forward thinking wants to get ahead of this train that is coming at all of us, and is not going to be stopped.

I think it is a reasonable expectation and hope that your respective offices can each provide some response as to where we are at in terms of this conversation, and whether or not the school boards would be included either through representation of by the BC School Trustees Association or individual school districts who may have some particular experience in dealing with cannabis use.

Thank you for your kind consideration, I look forward to your response which I would be happy to have you share directly with board chair Steve Rae.

Sincerely,

Leonard Krog, MLA

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CC: Steve Rae, Board Chair

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February 2, 2018

Honourable Katrine Conroy Minister of Children and Family Development PO Box 9057 Stn Prov Gov't Victoria, BC V8W 9E2 Honourable Rob Fleming Minister of Education PO Box 9045 Stn Prov Gov't Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Conroy and Minister Fleming:

I recently met with \$.22 \$.22

The <sup>s.22</sup> I met with outlined how the supports and services their children need or have accessed fall under both of your Ministries, including child and youth mental health services. They have found that the transition from the level of support they were able to access through MCFD, when their children were under 6 years old to what they can now access because their children are now in school, has been particularly difficult. They indicated their children are not getting the level of support they need through the school system.

They described the challenges their children face because of long waits for assessments and inadequate EA support. They also spoke about the inequalities between the children whose parents can afford to pay for private assessments and those who have to wait for assessments through the public system. They feel that this has created a two-tiered system, with those who are able to pay for private assessments getting services faster than those who can't.

expressed their strong desire to see full inclusion in the school system. They see the pathway to accomplish that is through more innovation and flexibility on how the money is spent. They would also like to see more integration between your two Ministries, including some joint intake.

Thank you for your consideration of the issues the parents I met with brought forward.

Sincerely,

Janet Routledge, MLA

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Enclosure

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From: Begg, Garry

To: Fleming, Rob EDUC:EX

Subject: FW: Achieve Anything Foundation - The Sky"s No Limit - Girls Fly Too!

Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 12:52:52 PM

Hey Rob – Any follow up / advice on this?? Thanks.... Garry

rom: Begg, Garry

Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 11:15 AM

To: Fleming, Rob EDUC:EX

Subject: Achieve Anything Foundation - The Sky's No Limit - Girls Fly Too!

**Good Morning Rob** 

Several weeks ago I provided you with brochures and documents from this group with the request that someone from your office do some follow up with the Foundation President, Kirsten Brazier, about some funding that may be available through Government to assist her in this annual event which involves young women from every school District in the province.

When I followed up with you later, you indicated that someone from your office would be looking into it.

Kirsten Brazier contacted me today to be updated on the status of her request, and indicated that she had not heard from anyone.

May I please be advised of the status of this request? Is there anything that I can do to advance this?

If someone would like to contact Kirsten, her number is

Thanks in advance...

Garry

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