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Bill Newell, Chief Administrative Officer Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen 101 Martin Street Penticton BC V2A 5J9

Dear Bill Newell:

It was a pleasure to speak with you and your delegation during the 2022 Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention. I appreciated the opportunity to learn more about the challenges and opportunities in your community.

During the meeting, we discussed BC's Home Owner Grant and your interest in seeing grant amount increases for seniors.

Each year, government reviews provincial taxes and considers changes in preparation of the provincial budget. The government then implements tax changes that it considers to be appropriate within the context of the province's fiscal situation and other priorities. Be assured that your comments will be considered as part of these discussions.

Thank you again for meeting with me at this year's convention. I appreciated the opportunity to connect with you directly and to discuss issues that impact the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen.

Sincerely,

Selina Robinson

Minister