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Attention: Courtenay City Mayor and Council

Mayor Bob Wells mayor@courtenay.ca

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Hello,

We are writing to you on behalf of School District 71 Youth Climate Event organizing committee to seek your support for an important upcoming event: the Youth Climate Symposium 2024. This event is scheduled to take place on November 14th, 2024, at the Filberg Centre in Courtenay and aims to bring together students from grades 8-12 across our region for two days of connection, art, science, learning, and community-building focused on responding to the climate crisis.

Building on the success of the February 2020 Youth Climate Conference, the 2024 event will provide a platform for young Comox Valley residents to process their feelings about climate change and plan local actions together.

The symposium also aligns with the objectives outlined in Courtenay's Official Community Plan (OCP) regarding climate action, and we believe it will play a vital role in fostering a proactive and hopeful mindset among our youth.

To ensure the success of this event, we are requesting the Courtenay City Council's consideration for the following support:

1. Waiving all facilities costs for the Filberg Centre for the symposium (two days are required, Nov 13th for setup and Nov 14th for event)
2. A \$5,000 cash donation to support overall event expenses.

The financial support and waiving of facilities costs will enable us to allocate resources more effectively towards creating a comprehensive and impactful program. This includes engaging workshops, inspirational speakers, and collaborative activities that will IGNITE curiosity and action among the participants.

We believe that by supporting the Youth Climate Event 2024, the Courtenay City Council will be making a significant investment in the future of our community. This event will not only educate and inspire our youth but also empower them to take meaningful actions towards climate resilience and sustainability.

We greatly appreciate your consideration of our request and are happy to provide any additional information or meet to discuss this further. Thank you for your time and for your continued commitment to supporting initiatives that benefit our community and environment.

Sincerely,

Serina Allison

I respectfully acknowledge the privilege of my home and life on the traditional and unceded territory of the Pentlach, E'iksan, Sahtloot, and Sasitla people of the K'ómoks First Nations.

I extend my highest gratitude for their depth of connection, respect, and understanding for the land and water as the traditional stewards of this territory from time immemorial.

I honour and respect the hard work the land, water, plants, and animals have done to support this Land of Plenty since the beginning.

As part of reconciliation, I am committed to learn more of the original people, their practices, and the beings of this place.

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