

## The Corporation of the District of Peachland

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The Honourable Selina Robinson Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing P.O. Box 9056 STN. PROV. GOVT Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Robinson,

Re: Cannabis Sales Revenue Sharing

As expressed by other local governments, the District of Peachland has concerns related to the fair distribution of the revenue generated by the sale of cannabis, among all orders of government including local governments.

The potential costs and responsibilities related to the legalization of cannabis without a confirmed source of additional funding could place a large burden on local governments. A Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) paper is stating that the impact may affect policing, fire services, building codes, city planning, municipal licensing and standards, public health, social services and communications. Current discussions regarding revenue sharing involve the federal and provincial governments with no inclusion of local governments.

The District of Peachland respectfully requests your support in providing fifty percent (50%) of the provincial share of the cannabis tax sharing formula, as an adequate and equitable share to support costs and services incurred by local governments.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cindy Fortin

Mayor

c: UBCM Member Municipalities