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LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE SUMMER CANADA WORKS PROGRAM


The School District No. 60 (Peace River North) fully endorses the request made by the Fort St. John Community Arts Council for funding for a summer program.

Fort St. John is a community which has seen substantial growth only in the last decade. Being a frontier community, the development of our natural resources has naturally received the emphasis. The schools are relatively new and do not have many established traditions. The emphasis by our various levels of government has certainly been on athletic pursuits and entertainment which emphasizes our northern location. Consequently, hockey, dog races, skiing, and other related pursuits, have received the emphasis.

Fort St. John is, however, a rapidly maturing community and consequently there is a need for projects which will emphasize the fine arts. I certainly believe that the proposed project for the coming summer would really assist in stimulating interest and creating skills which are direly needed in our community.

From previous experiences I have had with this type of a project, I could say that there is a direct carry over to the school system. As a result of the interest created, more students will be selecting electives in the fine arts when they come to the secondary system.

I certainly hope that it is possible for this project to be approved. All the citizens of our community will be the beneficiaries on the long run.



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