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Dear Local Governments of British Columbia,

On behalf of Mayor and Council of the City of West Kelowna please find attached a letter requesting your support lobbying the Provincial Government for an equitable share of tax revenue from cannabis sales.

Sincerely,



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Dear Local Governments of British Columbia,

With cannabis sales becoming legal in 2018, there must be a formal agreement that will divide the tax revenue on cannabis sales in a fair and equitable manner. Current discussions regarding revenue sharing involve the Federal and Provincial governments with no inclusion of local governments. Ultimately, the legalization will entail additional costs for local governments both in social and policing costs. 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, communications, law, etc.

City of West Kelowna Mayor and Council is requesting your support, by writing to the Province to lobby them to agree to 50% of the provincial share of the cannabis tax sharing formula be provided to local governments. This is an adequate and equitable share to help support costs and services incurred by local governments.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, on behalf of Council,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Doug Findlater".

Doug Findlater  
Mayor