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July 30, 2019

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To: The City of Grand Forks Mayor and City Council

Thank you for the formal opportunity to present our Gymnastics Program and vision for a year round / multipurpose / open for business daily, Youth and Health Wellness Center to you on Monday July 15 2019 at City Hall Chambers. We would like to take this opportunity and follow up with a letter to you regarding what our specific ask is.

Gymnastics is in need of a permanent home and given our high numbers of child/youth enrollment we see gymnastics being a viable and ever growing sport in Grand Forks where other gymnastics club will eventually come to us and enjoy competition and comoradidy. Our community is in desperate need of a multi- purpose, year round place that Youth can call their home. Other user groups of this facility may include long standing Jaccersize, CrossFit, KickBoxing and Martial Arts, who are also looking for a permanent home. We are primarily focusing on the mental health and wellbeing of our future generations delivered through social connection and movement. Mental illness is on the fast rise and Grand Forks is not immune to the spreading epidemic.

We are kindly requesting for a consideration to a CENTRAL & SERVICED piece of property to start the building process. There is a highly motivated group of people in this community that would participate in a project of such nature at the building and operation level. Horizon North Logistics (Calgary Office), Mr. Gary Swift, has been participating alongside this project. Gymnastics is currently being considered for Sponsorship and Donation from Horizon North, as this company focuses on Youth, Mental Health and Community Engagement.

We can also appreciate the study Jennifer Wetmore from Community Futures is currently conducting for a possible Community Center. Gymnastics was part of the stakeholder meeting on April 30, 2019, in creating a possible vision building and would enjoy nothing more than to be seriously considered for a permanent spot somewhere in this blueprint. A permanently set-up home with 20ft high ceiling is an absolute must in order to fulfill safety and insurance purposes as set out for us by our Provincial Regulating Body, Gymnastics BC.

Gymnastics has a temporary home (Curling Rink/Pines) until August 2020 so we know the next one year is secure enough to hopefully have a long-term plan in place moving forward. It would be a pleasure working with The City of Grand Forks on this life giving community project.

We thank you for your serious consideration and hard work as Grand Forks moves forward with resilience, revitalization and positive growth.

We look forward to your thoughts on this matter and will see you on Monday August 12, 2019 at The City Hall 7pm evening meeting.

Sincerely,

Svetlana Dalla Lana & Team

