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Mr. Chris Morsund, Owner Operator
Chatters Pizzeria and Bistro
3847 4th Ave.
Smithers, B.C. V0J2N0

Dear Mr. Morsund:

On behalf of the Community Living BC (CLBC) North Region Community Council (NRCC), I am writing to thank and recognize you for the work you do to build inclusion in Smithers for people of all abilities.

The NRCC is one of 13 Community Councils across the province. Our role is to make sure people with developmental disabilities, families, community members and service providers play a major role in achieving the shared vision of fostering good lives in welcoming communities. As a Council, we work collaboratively with community partners and local CLBC offices across the North to support and recognize community inclusion and to foster full participation in community for people with developmental disabilities.

Inclusion means that all people have opportunities in community to build relationships, enjoy sports and recreation opportunities, find employment, and to contribute as a full citizen. These goals cannot be accomplished without the dedication and commitment of community partners like you. Through your example, you are encouraging, inspiring and supporting others to contribute to inclusion and the participation of the people CLBC serves in all aspects of your community. In particular, I want to recognize Chatters Pizzeria and Bistro for your long-standing commitment to employing individuals with developmental delays. For almost two decades this business has tailored jobs to the individual skill set of its employees and all have been embraced as being part of the team at and away from work. When your business needs changed, the existing employees were included in the changed model. Not only are you appreciative of your employees, community members are celebrated as well. You have a welcoming atmosphere and are accessible for people with mobility impairments.

We look forward to working with you as a community partner to build inclusion for people of all abilities. If at any time, you would like to learn more about the NRCC, or are interested in partnering with us, please don't hesitate to contact me at north@clbccommunitycouncils.ca

Thank you again for your caring, commitment and leadership.

Yours truly,

Gordon Robertson, Chair
North Community Council