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Dear Marwan and Petra:

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 with developmental disabilities.

Building inclusion for people with developmental disabilities is central to the work of CLBC; its vision is "lives filled with possibilities in welcoming communities." CLBC defines inclusion as people of all abilities having opportunities for relationships, recreation and employment - and the chance to contribute to their community.

The NRCC's role is to make sure people with developmental disabilities, families, community members and service providers play a major part in achieving CLBC's vision. We also support and recognize people, organizations and employers across the North for their role in fostering inclusion and full participation of people with developmental disabilities in their community.

Inclusion cannot be accomplished without the dedication and commitment of community partners like you. With this letter, the NRCC is recognizing you for providing to people of all abilities in our community the discipline of Karate. For 22 years you have provided an inclusive environment to preschoolers through to older adults who experience acceptance, flexibility, and equality while training to meet their individual goals. This enriching environment provides skill building opportunities for confidence, competition and leadership resulting in greater independence.

Through this action, you are encouraging, inspiring and supporting others to be inclusive of the people CLBC serves in all aspects of your community.

Thank you for your caring, commitment and leadership for inclusion of 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

Yours truly,

Gordon Robertson

Gordon Robertson, Chair
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