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Salina and Jason Kennedy, Owners  
Smithers Bowl  
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Dear Salina and Jason:

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 would like to recognize Smithers Bowl for providing an inclusive environment for individuals with developmental disabilities. Through many decades and two owners, this has been a wonderful spot for individuals of all ages and diverse abilities to gather and have fun. Young children, teens, families and seniors alike are appreciated and their strengths showcased in this friendly sporting environment. Individuals are mentored as Special Olympians but also readily welcomed in the community bowling programs; true inclusion. You have great volunteer coaches who have been cheerfully and skillfully helping bowlers reach their full potential and they have been recognized both provincially and federally.

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](mailto:north@clbccommunitycouncils.ca)

Thank you again for your caring, commitment and leadership.

Yours truly,

Gordon Robertson, Chair  
North Community Council