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The Honourable Claire Trevena
Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure
Room 306 Parliament Buildings
Victoria BC V8V 1X4
Via email: Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca

Dear Minister Trevena:

RE: INTEGRATED TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE SOUTHERN GULF ISLANDS

On behalf of the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board I am writing to request that the Province develop a strategy and plan for ongoing coordination between BC Ferries, BC Transit, and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure road infrastructure planning to achieve integrated, low carbon and active transportation orientated solutions for the Southern Gulf Islands and Salt Spring Island.

We are looking for a provincial plan of action that will advance ongoing cooperation and coordination and will:

- *support public transit on the Southern Gulf Islands to parallel the very successful BC Transit service that operates on Salt Spring Island;*
- *provide seamless integration of water and land transit systems with public transit in neighbouring metropolitan centres at the Tsawwassen, Swartz Bay, and Crofton ferry terminals;*
- *promote and support active and public BC Ferry transportation alternatives for visitors to the islands; and*
- *investment in active transportation road improvements and cycling infrastructure on the islands.*

The Electoral Area Director for the Southern Gulf Islands, Dave Howe, the Electoral Area Director for Salt Spring Island, Gary Holman, and the Corporate Officer - General Manager, Corporate Services, Kristen Morley would like to meet with you to discuss these issues at your earliest convenience. Please contact Carolyn Jenkinson at cjenkinson@crd.bc.ca or 250-360-3125 to coordinate this meeting.

Please see the attached background to offer additional context for this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Colin Plant', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Colin Plant
Chair, Capital Regional District Board

Attachment: Background

cc: CRD Board
Director Howe, CRD Board
Director Holman, CRD Board
Robert Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer, CRD
Kristen Morley, Corporate Officer, General Manager, Corporate Services, CRD
Justine Starke, Manager, SGI Administration, CRD