



## LETTER OF SUPPORT – LONG LAKE ROWING AND PADDLING CENTRE

July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Vancouver Island, it is my pleasure to present this letter of support for the Long Lake Rowing and Paddling Centre.

In the summer of 2022, we partnered with the Long Lake Canoe and Kayak Club to run two Play On programs. These programs paired mentors with group of children in order to facilitate healthy living, and promote the learning of social emotional skills. We wanted to provide these children with a special opportunity to learn a new sport at no cost to them. The program was highly successful with great reviews from all of the parents, mentors and mentees. Since that time we have been hopeful to continue with this partnership as we believe it is well suited to meeting the needs of our community members.

The Canoe and Kayak Club, their staff and instructors, provided our mentors and mentees with a fun and welcoming environment. I believe the redevelopment plan would facilitate the club's capacity to support our programs and continue this relationship, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Vancouver Island is in full support of the endeavor.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JKemp", written over a horizontal line.

Jennifer Kemp  
Executive Director

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