

Long Lake Flatwater Training Centre Society c/o PO BOX 946 Stn A Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5N2

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RE: Long Lake Rowing and Paddling Centre Building Project

On behalf of Central Vancouver Island Multicultural Society (CVIMS), I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the Long Lake Rowing and Paddling Centre building project.

CVIMS has participated in programs at Long Lake through both the Nanaimo Rowing Club and the Nanaimo Canoe and Kayak Club. These two clubs have offered low or no cost programming to our clients who are newcomers to Canada.

The Long Lake Rowing and Paddling Centre building project will create a venue that is welcoming, inclusive and accessible for all willing to participate and learn rowing and paddling in Nanaimo.

CVIMS looks forward to participating in the upcoming events with both the member clubs at the new centre.

The benefits of building The Long Lake Rowing and Paddling Centre include:

- Accessible rowing and paddling opportunities for people of all ages and abilities
- A safe and welcoming space
- A year-round training space for local youth and adults

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