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June 22, 2022

Mayor Ward Stamer
District of Barriere
Box 219
Barriere, BC V0E 1E0

Dear Mayor Stamer:

Re: 2022 Resolution(s)

UBCM confirms receipt of the attached resolution(s) endorsed by your Council and submitted directly to UBCM by the June 30 deadline.

The resolution(s) will be included in UBCM Resolutions Book for the 2022 UBCM Convention in September.

If you have any questions, please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst at 604.270.8226 ext. 100 or jjustason@ubcm.ca.

Sincerely,



Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg
UBCM President

Enclosure

**ICBC Reimbursement to Fire Departments for
Highway Response with Taxing Jurisdiction**

Barriere

Whereas local government fire departments in communities that have a major highway(s) passing through them respond to highway incidents;

And whereas the cost of attending these highway incidents is borne solely by the taxpayers within the taxing jurisdiction:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM ask the provincial government to develop a program with ICBC to reimburse fire departments that respond to highway incidents which involve nonresidents/non-property owners from within the fire department's taxing jurisdiction.

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Review of Rural BC Ambulance Resourcing Models

Barriere

Whereas it is generally recognized that ambulance service in BC is heavily urban focused, however increasing the number of other first responder service calls to make up for the BCES staffing shortfall, should not come at the expense of a reasonable level of BC Ambulance service in rural communities;

And whereas there has been little or no increase in provincial funds to independent First Responder Societies, municipal fire/rescue departments and rural RCMP staffing increases over the past several years, compromising these rural emergency response service levels in many rural communities throughout BC:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM ask the Government of BC to review its rural BC Ambulance resourcing models to ensure that adequate resources are available to properly service rural communities.

Convention Decision:

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