



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Tim Syer and Deneen Everett  
Yellowknife Chamber of Commerce  
#21, 4802 50th Avenue  
Yellowknife, NT X1A 1C4

Dear Mr. Syer and Ms. Everett,

**Re: Letter of Support for Yellowknife Chamber of Commerce's COVID-19 Federal Recommendations**

I am pleased to provide this letter in support of the Yellowknife Chamber of Commerce's COVID-19 Federal recommendations.

As you highlight in your recommendations, it is critical that the Federal Government recognize that operating a business in Yellowknife and across the north presents unique challenges. When the Federal Government develops programs and policies to assist businesses in response to COVID-19, the differences experienced in the North – compared to the South – need to be taken into account and reflected in the policies and programs being launched. Without that, businesses in the north will struggle to survive.

On behalf of the City of Yellowknife, I would like to thank the Yellowknife Chamber of Commerce for developing the Federal recommendations and for all of the support that you have been providing to the business community to date – from pointing businesses to the right resources to identifying policy gaps to partnering with us on a Shop Local campaign, and more. Your leadership in ensuring Yellowknife has a strong business community is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to discuss this issue further, I would be happy to discuss by phone: (867) 920-5693 or email: [mayor@yellowknife.ca](mailto:mayor@yellowknife.ca).

Yours sincerely,

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