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**GREATER
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Via Email: sparry@gprchamber.ca

Dear MLA Shane Getson, Lac Ste. Anne Parkland:

On behalf of the Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce please accept our sincere appreciation for your recent series of Townhall sessions. The outreach to your constituents and our business community demonstrated your desire to understand and fully appreciate individual concerns and people's desire to move forward while recognizing the challenges ahead. In coining one of your core values "We can only make it happen by working together".

As you are aware, SMEs are the backbone of our regional economy and we were heartened to listen to and better understand your focus areas. As the regional chamber of commerce representing over 1,000 businesses throughout the tri-region, we are focused on supporting a successful and sustainable economy while cognizant of the necessity to diversify our economy to create economic attraction and sustainability.

The Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce remains in support of Bill 4 and your participation in Red Tape reduction reducing regulatory burden; this will help businesses reduce administrative costs and time. The A2A Project, Transportation Utility Corridor creates a level of economic opportunity and optimism for Albertans being able to transport products to and from international markets from Alberta. Strategically the Chamber is fully aligned with the above; we work to further the interests of businesses and advocate to create opportunities and remove roadblocks.

In closing, we thank you for your efforts in creating the quality of meetings and the effectiveness of the interaction. We believe these Townhalls were most productive and we were delighted to see representation from our Chamber Board of Directors and our membership at each event. The success of this interaction was due, in no small part, to the support provided by you and your staff.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate.

Sincerely,

Richard Wong
Chair, Greater Parkland Regional Chamber of Commerce (GPRC)

Cc: GPRC Board of Directors, Sarah Parry, CEO, GPRC

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