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Chief Russ Chipps
Councillors Traci-Lynn Pateman and Sheeba Sawyer
Sc'ianew First Nation
4901-B East Sooke Road
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Via email: reception@beecherbay.ca, ruth@beecherbay.ca

Dear Chief Chipps and Councillor Pateman and Councillor Sawyer:

RE: CONGRATULATIONS ON SUCCESSFUL RE-ELECTIONS/ELECTION

On behalf of the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board, I wish to extend my congratulations on your successful re-elections and election to serve as the governing body for Sc'ianew.

We thank you for your recent response to the CRD's offer to explore our government-to-government working relationship with the Sc'ianew First Nation. We would like to learn more about the priorities and interests of Sc'ianew and are open to your suggestions for how to deepen our relationship and work in a good way based on mutual respect. Though there is still plenty of work to do, we feel fortunate for the opportunity to incorporate Indigenous learning and Indigenous processes into how we work together.

We look forward to learning more about how to build our relationship along the principles of reconciliation in action.

Caitlyn Vernon, CRD's First Nations Relations Manager will follow up with your office to discuss a possible upcoming meeting with Council.

Sincerely,

Colin Plant
Chair, Capital Regional District Board

cc: Ruth Sauder, Chief Administrative Officer, Sc'ianew First Nation
Ted Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer, CRD
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