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Chief Larry Underwood
Councillors Rose Dumont, Bonnie Hill and Deb Lazzar
T'Sou-ke Nation
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Via email: administrator@tsoukenation.com

Dear Chief Underwood and Council:

RE: CONGRATULATIONS ON SUCCESSFUL ELECTION/RE-ELECTIONS

On behalf of the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board, I wish to extend my congratulations on your successful election and re-elections to serve as the governing body for T'Sou-ke Nation.

Working together with First Nations, on whose traditional territory the CRD and its member municipalities operate, is a key priority for the CRD Board. We are looking forward to connecting with you to discuss how we may work together to strengthen our government-to-government relationship and develop mechanisms for long-term, respectful, and reciprocal engagement at both the leadership and staff levels.

We would like to learn more about the priorities and interests of T'Sou-ke Nation and are open to your suggestions for how to deepen our relationship and continue to work cooperatively on issues related to heritage conservation, parks, environmental protection, and more.

Chief Underwood, I would also like to acknowledge the many ways that you have collaborated with CRD staff over the years, including invasive species removal and watershed programs. We appreciate the time you dedicated to these collaborations and look forward to working with you in your new capacity as Chief.

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

Sincerely,

Colin Plant
Chair, Capital Regional District Board

cc: Michelle Thut, Administrator, T'Sou-ke Nation
Ted Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer, CRD