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By email: mayorandcouncil@victoria.ca

The Mayor and Council The City of Victoria 1 Centennial Square Victoria, B.C. V8W 1P6

Re: Bike Path – Quadra Elementary School

Dear Mayor Helps and Council,

On behalf of the Greater Victoria School Board, I am writing with respect to the City's ongoing consultation process to extend bicycle access in the Quadra neighbourhood. First of all, we would like to express our appreciation for the level of engagement the City has had with the Ecole Quadra Community. I understand that parents and staff were consulted on a number of occasions.

While we are confident that the input of the school community will be taken into consideration when this matter comes before Council, we do want to express our support for the school communities' concerns. While the Board is supportive of active and safe routes to schools, we share the school's concerns about the safety issues that the proposed transportation route would create for our students accessing the playing field at the school.

Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

Yours sincerely,

Jordan Watters Chair, Board of Education

Cc: Board of Education Shelley Green, Superintendent of Schools Marilyn Campbell, Principal, Quadra Elementary School

The Greater Victoria School District wishes to recognize and acknowledge the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.

