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April 18, 2021

Mr. Brad Sperling  
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Peace River Regional District  
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Dear Mr. Sperling:

On behalf of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, I would like to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence of March 24, 2021, regarding Private Member's Bill C-264, *An Act to amend the Income tax Act (volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services)*.

Please be assured that your comments, offered on behalf of Peace River Regional District, have been carefully reviewed. I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, who, I am certain, will wish to give your views every consideration.

Thank you for writing to the Prime Minister.

Yours sincerely,

For,

M. Bredeson  
Executive Correspondence Officer



## PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

March 24, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
c/o Office of the Prime Minister  
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Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

File#: 0400.40.1

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Dear Prime Minister:

**RE: Peace River Regional District Support for Bill C-264**

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Peace River Regional District, I am writing in support of Bill C-264, which is proposed by Member of Parliament Gord Johns to amend the *Income Tax Act* (volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services) to increase the eligible tax credit from \$3,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

Like many areas of Canada, the Peace River Regional District relies heavily on our volunteer firefighters and search and rescue personnel to provide vital life safety services, and that would not be possible without the volunteers. The Regional District greatly supports the amendment to the *Income Tax Act* as a way to show appreciation to these vital volunteers, who give not only a large amount of personal time but quite often a loss of income to provide fire and rescue services in the region.

Sincerely,

Brad Sperling,  
Chair

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