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Karen Goodings Area B Director Peace River Regional District

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Dear Director Goodings:

As you know, the cost of doing business continues to grow year after year and this is the same for the

Fort St John and Area Public Library. I asked staff to review the share of users and active cardholders for the library and have attached them to this letter. As you can see, Area B cardholders represent 19.4% of the total cardholders in our service area and yet Area B contributes 4.5% towards the total funding for the library. Area C, by comparison contributes 9% towards the operation of the library.

The library continues to serve a large population and is constantly expanding its programs to meet current needs. We have a overy active children's program and also provide outreach services to seniors in our area along with provision of such services as free internet and computer services, assistance to users who need to access government services, and of course, we house a large library collection- both in print and digital.

It is with all of this in mind that I am requesting an increase in Area B's annual allocation to the library to match Area C's-\$65,000. I am happy to discuss with you at any time.

Thank you for your consideration.

Andy Ackerman

Chair

Fort St. John Public Library Board

cc. Lenita Choi, Area B Library Representative







