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School District 73 Trustees
C/O Chair Kathleen Karpuk
Kamloops, B.C.

Re: Sun Peaks Reconfiguration Consultation

Dear Trustees,

Thank you for meeting with the Sun Peaks parents and residents to review the options available for education in the Sun Peaks community.

Sun Peaks Resort LLP supports the community in leading innovative and inspirational educational opportunities for the children in Sun Peaks. With our strong commitment to education in Sun Peaks, we made available one classroom building and land for all of the school classrooms at no cost to the school district.

Sun Peaks Resort LLP has also hosted many fund-raising events over 10 plus years to assist in funding the Sun Peaks Education Society efforts. We also support the inclusion of grades 8 & 9 in the SD 73 operations.

Sun Peaks Resort LLP would like to express our support of the community's request to continue with a four-day school week model. Tourism and recreation are the core of our economy and business; therefore, seasonality is a fact of life for our staff and their families. This industry does not allow most of our staff to enjoy a regular Saturday – Sunday off to spend time with their families. Many of the families that choose to work and live at Sun Peaks are in integral part of our operations and it is important to us that they be able to maintain their work-life balance. The current four-day school week model provides a larger opportunity for families to spend time together and enjoy the recreational facilities available to them. Currently other amenities such as after school care are very limited at Sun Peaks and this combination will also cause undue hardship to many of the families should the four-day school week be eliminated.

We ask that you consider the students and their families and how they will be affected when considering your decision to change away from a four-day school week at Sun Peaks while adding grade 8 & 9 to the SD 73 school.

Yours sincerely,

Darcy Alexander
Vice-President and General Manager
Sun Peaks Resort