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Mayor and Council

City of Whitehorse

We recently realized that, since the completion of the recent major upgrade to the MacBride Museum, the City has changed its 70 year old policy of waiving the property taxes for this museum. This change in the waiving of the property taxes will hamper the ability of this outstanding facility to continue to provide a very valuable service to the public, both for locals and visitors to our City.

Our company Pelly Banks Trading Co Ltd (dba Porter Creek Super A) is based in Whitehorse. All of our employees are permanent residents of the City. We have over many years, and continue to, contribute many donations to local facilities, such as the Food Bank, The Run for Mom, Minor Soccer, Mardi Bras, Freedom Trails, United Way, Share the Spirit, and the Rotary Music Festival.

We have reviewed the the financial operating information of the museum and believe that it could pay its own way were it not for the taxes that have been unexpectedly levied. If the MacBride was sold to the Yukon Government, we don't think that YTG would be able to continue the Museum's current operations in the same innovative, creative and efficient manner. The MacBride has become a living embodiment of Yukon history, customs and culture.

We urge the City to reconsider its aim to charge MacBride property tax which would be a crippling blow to a non-profit asset that creates a high value to the attractiveness of the City of Whitehorse. In order to preserve and allow this facility to continue and grow with the City, a one hundred per cent tax abatement in perpetuity is highly recommended.

Yours truly

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Lang".

Karen Lang

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