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Capital Regional District Board 625 Fisgard Street Victoria, BC V8W 2S6

Dear Chair Plant and Directors:

RE: Capital Regional District (CRD) Regional Parks Land Acquisition Fund

At the City of Langford's Regular Meeting of Council held on February 3, 2020, Council discussed the January 29, 2020 letter from View Royal Mayor David Screech regarding the Regional Parks and Land Acquisition Fund, and proposed changes. The City of Langford echoes View Royal's concerns about potential changes to the land acquisition strategy and land acquisition criteria, and supports View Royal's January 28, 2020 Council resolution:

WHEREAS the number one priority of CRD Parks is to protect the region's biodiversity;

WHEREAS the CRD Regional Parks Land Acquisition Fund has been a resounding success and protected over 4200 hectares of land since its inception in the year 2000;

WHEREAS extensive public consultation was held in the past year regarding the continuance of the Fund in its present form;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mayor and Council write to the CRD Board requesting that the vision, values and principles of the Regional Parks Land Acquisition Fund be maintained;

AND FURTHER that no changes be considered without extensive consultation with the public and all partners.

Sincerely,

Adriana Proton Deputy Corporate Officer

Cc: All Capital Regional District Municipal Councils