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Honourable Katrine Conroy, Minister of Forests,
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Dear Premier Horgan et al.,

RE: Tiny House Warriors Protests in Blue River

The Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD) has previously written to the Premier and Minister Farnworth, in 2019 and 2020, requesting assistance to address the ongoing issues resulting from protests in Blue River by a group known as the Tiny House Warriors (THWs). The THWs oppose the Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project and have set up a road blockade for the last two years. Our previous letter outlined the concerns of the people of Blue River, with respect to THWs behavior, such as continuously subjecting members of the community, businesses and visitors to harassment and verbal threats and we requested enhanced policing. Additional security was provided, however, there has always been a concern that this situation could escalate to violence.

On September 15, 2021, this protest did escalate into violence resulting in property damage of more than \$75,000.00 along with an injury to a security person which required hospitalization. Thankfully, that person is now recovering at home. In addition, the TNRD Garbage collection truck and operator was aggressively approached in the course of his duties to prevent him from doing his job. A police report was filed in this instance.

Given this ongoing situation, at the Thompson-Nicola Regional District's Regular Board meeting on September 23, the Board of Directors passed the following resolution:

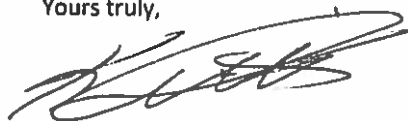
THAT, the Board send a letter to Premier Horgan, Minister Conroy, and Minister Flemming requesting their immediate involvement and assistance with the ongoing issues resulting from the actions of the Tiny House Warriors.

It is long past the time to have this issue resolved. We request that you, and the aforementioned Ministers, get directly involved and enforce the laws that are in place to deal with this situation and have the THWs and their camp removed from Blue River.

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Yours truly,



Kenneth Gillis, Chair
Thompson-Nicola Regional District

cc. Honourable Mike Farnsworth, Minister of Public Safety
Honourable David Eby, Attorney General
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Chief/Kukpi7 Rosanne Casimir, Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc
Jasmine Devick, Trans Mountain Pipeline