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Honourable Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General
PO. Box 9010 Stn Prov
Government of the Province of British Columbia
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Dear Minister Farnworth,

Re Police Victim Services of British Columbia Society
July 28, 2020 Meeting Summary

On behalf of myself and the rest of our Board of Directors, I wish to thank you and your officials for our meeting on July 28, 2020.

We are very appreciative of being able to provide you with information on the key issues being faced by the police victim services sector in British Columbia and the strategic approach our organization is undertaking through the implementation of our 2020-22 Strategic Plan.

We are equally pleased with your support in principal to engage in continued dialogue regarding the planning and commissioning of the Comprehensive Provincial Review of the police-based victim services sector. The Board of Directors has identified this as its most important strategic priority and is prepared to invest a portion of our members equity in its completion. Your support and participation are vital to ensuring a thorough examination and the development of best practices to improve the delivery of police-based victim services to all victims of crime and trauma across the Province.

As provided at the conclusion of the meeting, PVSBC will follow-up with Lisa Anderson ADM Community Safety and Crime Prevention Division regarding the Comprehensive Provincial Review and moving forward on the other Current Initiatives put forward during the meeting.

This week I will be formally writing to MLA Nicholas Simons, in his capacity as Chair of the Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act advising that PVSBC is prepared to actively participate in and add value to the work of the Committee consistent with the Committee's Terms of Reference.



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PVSBC looks forward to a continuation of positive engagement with your office, the Ministry and its officials on the evolution of the police-based victim services sector.

We will strive to support the efforts of all our sector partners and stakeholders, including the Ministry's, through consultation and collaboration.

Again, our thanks to you and your officials for a positive meeting on July 28, 2020.

During the pandemic and always, please take care, be safe and healthy.

Yours Truly,

Karyn French
Board President
Police Victim Services BC

Cc: Mark Sieben, Deputy Solicitor General
Lisa Anderson, Assistant Deputy Minister
Marcie Mezzarobba, Executive Director
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