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Mayor Kennedy Stewart &  
Vancouver City Council

Vancouver City Hall  
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**RE: Letter of Support for a New River District/East Fraser Community Centre in Vancouver South**

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Dear Mayor Stewart & Vancouver City Councillors:

I write to you today to express my support of a new community centre in the River District/East Fraserlands area of Vancouver South. There has been exponential growth south of Marine Drive, with new mid-rises and townhomes being constructed at a rapid pace and an influx of new residents moving to the neighbourhood over the last few years. It is quite evident now that a community centre is needed to address the lack of access to essential services in the community now and into the future.

Many Vancouver South families are made of young people, students, and seniors who are pointing out a growing need to have access to basic essentials such as a daycare and mental health supports. Residents in the area have highlighted transportation and geographical challenges, especially for individuals with mobility constraints who are unable to access these services within the city that are vital to their overall health and wellness. My office and I have interacted with numerous community members and residents in the area who have brought this pressing need to my attention.

I would like to request that the Vancouver City Council review the request put forth by the residents of River District/East Fraserlands to approve and expedite the construction of a new community centre to address one of the most important and immediate need of the region. Your time and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated by the residents of Vancouver South.

Sincerely,

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