Ministry Name

Ministry Address/Email

Attention: Minister \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Re: Letter of Support - Convention & Cultural Event Centre**

 **Federal Funding Support for Shovel-Ready Partnership Project**

I am writing this letter in support of the Convention & Cultural Event Centre in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. **This shovel-ready project is a one-of-a-kind partnership developed between the City of Prince Albert and the Saskatchewan Woodland Cree First Nations** that will significantly benefit residents and communities across Central and Northern Saskatchewan.

*Introduce yourself and who you are in the community (for example: athlete, business owner, community volunteer, award recipient, etc.). Brag about yourself to inform the Ministry of your importance and/or impact to the community.*

*Describe, from your perspective, how the facility will impact you, your organization, our City and the region. Highlight that the drawings are complete and we are ready to build. Outline why Prince Albert is unique and should have this Centre. You are welcome to select a few ideas from the below list of suggestions:*

* *Emphasize that this project is shovel-ready!*
* *Proud of the significant partnerships and developments with First Nations in Prince Albert*
* *For thousands of years, Prince Albert has been known as Kistapinânihk and we continue to be “the gathering place” for the North and South Indigenous Nations. We are proud to serve these areas by providing essential services, economic opportunities, and cultural connections*
* *A Convention & Cultural Event Centre will foster greater regional integration and development while embracing true reconciliation through shared space*
* *Facility will benefit the local economy by attracting visitors and tourists to the city and region*
* *Will provide a versatile state-of-the-art facility for attracting events and conferences while also offering a valuable space for community gatherings, sporting events and activities enhancing the quality of life for residents*
* *Offering additional amenities will encourage new residents to move to Prince Albert for healthcare, business development, education and cultural opportunities*
* *Construction phase advances economic growth and provides job opportunities*
* *Supports the 100% community-owned Prince Albert Raiders hockey club and their extended fan base*
* *Replaces the Art Hauser Centre arena with a carbon friendly and fully accessible facility meeting WHL requirements*

In closing, I fully support the Convention & Cultural Event Centre and respectfully request the Federal Government commit to funding the construction of this critical partnership project.

Sincerely,

*(signature)*

*Name & Address*