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The Bridge – Youth Recovery House
8-2604 Enterprise Way
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via E-mail Kelly.Paley@thebridgeservices.ca

Attention: Kelly Paley

Re: Letter of Support for the Youth Recovery House

On behalf of the Westbank First Nation Chief and Council, we would like to express gratitude to you and your team for including us in your plans to move forward. Youth have always been an important part of our community, and as Syilx people we support all efforts to build and uplift our youth. We enthusiastically support the Bridges Program and the vision of the Youth Recovery House.

We appreciate the value of the treatment and recovery programming for youth who are struggling with substance abuse. It is our hope that your new youth program will allow young people a safe place to begin their journey of recovery. We understand that it takes a community to raise a child and it is our hope that this program will offer a healthy community for youth to begin their healing. We look forward to working together to see the Youth Recovery House a reality and a success.

Sincerely,

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Per:

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