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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to affirm our support for the continued designation of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region, established in 2000.

Our region has worked together for the past decade to advance the objectives of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve program. We are working together to achieve the objectives of sustainable development, biodiversity conservation and reconciliation, through education, research and collaboration including:

- Participating in training and capacity building programs such as the Aboriginal Ecotourism Training Program and;
- Participating in networks to enhance communication and coordination such as the Protected Areas and Poverty Reduction Canada-Africa Research Alliance.

These initiatives are selected examples of the many ongoing collaborative endeavours that promote and sustain a prosperous and healthy future for Clayoquot Sound. There is a myriad of positive and powerful, informal and formal, individual and organizational relationships within the region that have been borne and nurtured through the shared identity and sense of belonging enshrined within the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere designation.

We are proud to support the continued Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere designation and look forward to participating in the next ten years of activities in our region.

Sincerely,



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