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To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing to affirm our support for the continued designation of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region which was established in 2000.

Our region has worked together for the past two decades to advance the objectives of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve program. At the Tofino Arts Council, our objective is to support and encourage artistic activities in the Clayoquot Sound. We have been able to advance these objectives over the last 8 years through support we have received from the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust. This is one example of how the UNESCO Biosphere Designation in this area has developed alliances and partnerships which have strengthened the development of the citizens of the area and the communities that they live in. The Arts Council has also been able to be a part of the West Coast N.E.S.T. which is developing and promoting educational tourism activities in the area as a way of diversifying the tourism industry in the area.

We are proud to support the continuation of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere designation and look forward to many more years of working together to improve the educational opportunities in the area.

Yours truly,

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