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Marie-Pierre Lavoie, Chair
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Dear Marie-Pierre Lavoie:

Thank you for your kind words of support.

I am delighted and honoured to have been appointed as the new Minister of Education and Child Care and am proud to represent the Surrey-Green Timbers community as MLA. I look forward to building on the great work being done to achieve our vision of a strong education system for all British Columbians.

As you know, one of the Ministry's main goals is building inclusive and affordable child care that all families in British Columbia can rely on as a core service. We recognize that a professional, qualified and well-supported workforce is foundational to delivering quality child care and we are working closely with childcare workers and the sector to build on the initial successes in the first years of our 10-year ChildCareBC plan. In partnership with the federal government, we will continue to expand these vital services and lower the cost of licensed child care for all BC families.

As a young person moves from child care into the k-12 education system, it is our goal to ensure schools and classrooms are safe, welcoming and inclusive for all learners, and we are providing record levels of operating funding to achieve those goals. In addition, our government continues to invest historic sums of public funding to expand, modernize and improve public schools across British Columbia, creating significant benefits for families and the communities where they live in the process.

With this government's commitment to truth and reconciliation we understand the role the education system played in our collective history in this province and the opportunity ahead to take action on anti-racism and discrimination. The ministry, together with trustees, administrators, educators, support staff, Rightsholders and Indigenous partners and parents are committed to supporting learner outcomes so students leave our system at the end of grade 12 with dignity, purpose and options to set them up for a lifetime of success.

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Thank you, again for your words of support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R Singh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Rachna Singh
Minister