## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

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Ministry of Finance Honourable Carole James PO Box 9048 STN Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Re: Employer Heath Tax impact on Local Government

To Whom It May Concern,

This is to advise that the Township of Spallumcheen Council passed the following resolution at its Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Regular Council Meeting:

"THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council, based on the survey results and the financial impacts identified, inform all Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) participants and appropriate Ministries that the Council of Spallumcheen opposes the implementation of the Employer Health Tax (EHT);

AND THAT based upon the logic that the imposition of incrementally sustainable increases in taxation to residential, commercial and industrial zones through City and municipal taxation will ultimately negatively affect the very citizens of British Columbia it is purportedly required to assist."

Because Spallumcheen is ultimately a farming community with a very limited tax base due to farming tax breaks, the negative impacts the EHT will have on the few industrial and commercial operations located in our community could adversely damage these industrial partners that make Spallumcheen sustainable for all residents.

If you have any questions in this regard, please contact the undersigned.

Janue Brown

Mayor Janice Brown

UBCM

cc:

Member Municipalities Chief Financial Officer