September 5, 2019

All BC Municipalities/Regional Districts
Via email

Re: Fostering Transportation Network Services in Small Communities

This is to advise that Enderby City Council at its Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 considered the above matter and adopted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS the Province of BC has created a regulatory framework permitting transportation network services to operate in BC, which provides a passenger transportation option to address the significant public need for vehicles-for-hire and, in turn, reduce impaired driving, improve the ability of seniors and persons with barriers to access needed resources, and stimulate economic development;

AND WHEREAS the Province’s regulatory framework is so onerous that it effectively prohibits the establishment of transportation network services outside of the Lower Mainland, and particularly in small, rural, and remote communities where it has the greatest potential to address areas underserved by traditional public transportation options;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM asks the Province of BC to amend the Passenger Transportation Act to establish an area-based, tiered, regulatory solution that will enable viable and competitive transportation network services in small rural and remote communities as well as other communities outside of the Lower Mainland."

Accordingly, the above has been submitted to UBCM as a late resolution and the City of Enderby Council requests your favourable consideration of the resolution at the 2019 UBCM convention.

Yours Truly,

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Chief Administrative Officer

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