



Cariboo Regional District

File No. 400-50-01

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February 26, 2025

Chair Margo Wagner
Cariboo Regional District
180 North 3rd Avenue, Suite D
Williams Lake, BC V2G 2A4

Referred To _____

Dear Chair Wagner:

Re: 2024 Resolution Referred to UBCM Executive

Eight resolutions sponsored by your community were included in the 2024 Resolutions Book for consideration at the annual UBCM Convention.

Due to a lack of time at the Convention, delegates did not have an opportunity to consider one of your resolutions. UBCM Policies provide that all resolutions not considered at Convention are referred automatically to the UBCM Executive for their consideration and action.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, at 604-270-8226 Ext. 100 or jjustason@ubcm.ca

Sincerely,



Councillor Trish Mandewo
UBCM President

Enclosure
CC Williams Lake



February 26, 2025

Mayor Surinderpal Rathor
City of Williams Lake
450 Mart Street
Williams Lake, BC V2G 1N3

Dear Mayor Rathor

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Enclosure
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**2024 NR102 Legislative Changes to Permit Alkaline
Hydrolysis Funerals**

Cariboo RD, Williams Lake

Whereas Alkaline Hydrolysis Process funeral services present an opportunity to reduce the environmental impact of preparing and interring human remains by significantly reducing the amount of carbon dioxide emitted from burials and land use requirements for storing human remains;

And whereas the *Cremation, Interment, and Funeral Services Act* does not permit Alkaline Hydrolysis as an acceptable process for preparing a deceased person's remains:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM call on the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier to prepare and introduce a bill in the Legislative Assembly of BC to amend the *Cemetery, Interment, and Funeral Services Act* to allow the alkaline hydrolysis process as a permitted funeral service.

CONVENTION DECISION: REFERRED TO UBCM EXECUTIVE

EXECUTIVE DECISION: ENDORSED