



# CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

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To Whom It May Concern:

Re:Port Alberni Shelter Society (PASS) - Therapeutic Recovery Community in the Alberni Valley

It is with great pleasure that we provide this letter of support for The Port Alberni Shelter Society, and the establishment of a therapeutic recovery community in the Alberni Valley.

Tremendous work has been done by the Society with respect to the vulnerable segment of our community. They provide extensive and meaningful services for short-term housing, food, addiction, social supports and work to address some of the social and counselling needs of this population.

The Society has been very creative in working with the City and multiple partners from both the government and non-governmental sectors to broaden supports for various members of our City, particularly those who are suffering from addictions.

The Society has worked extensively to explore and identify the needs and create ways in which those needs can be addressed. Their recent research of addiction and substance abuse solutions has indicated that a Therapeutic Recovery Community model has the potential to offer success through a holistic approach to recovery.

I unreservedly support the amazing work being done in our City by this Society and their proposal for a therapeutic recovery model. We greatly appreciate and rely on the dedicated work of this group.

Yours truly,  
CITY OF PORT ALBERNI



Sharie Minions  
Mayor

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