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Harlene Holm
Denman Community Land Trust Association
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Dear Harlene Holm:

Thank you for your letter regarding affordable housing for low-income earners on Denman Island. I apologize for the delay in responding.

I want to express my appreciation for the work of the Denman Community Land Trust Association in creating long-term affordable housing. I value the role your organization plays in representing the interests of residents, low-income persons, single mothers and seniors, on Denman Island.

I appreciate your concern regarding securing land to ensure those with fixed incomes do not feel threatened by market conditions. Addressing housing affordability requires dedicated resources from all levels of government, the community and the private sector. Government will engage with local governments and others to identify the challenges in increasing affordable housing supply, and will develop options for enhancing tools to increase affordable supply. As part of this work, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing staff will review your suggestions regarding community land trusts.

Thank you again for writing. Together, I know we can create solutions on the challenges facing British Columbians today.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Robinson'.

Selina Robinson
Minister

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