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Honourable David Eby
Premier of British Columbia
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Honourable Jagrup Brar
Minister of Mines and Critical Minerals
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Dear Premier Eby and Minister Brar:

RE: Hudbay Minerals Inc. New Ingerbelle Expansion Project

At the August 21, 2025, Regular Board meeting of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen, the Board of Directors resolved the following:

"THAT the Board of Directors provides a letter of support addressed to Premier David Eby and Minister Jagrup Brar, Minister of Mining and Critical Minerals, for Hudbay Minerals Inc.'s New Ingerbelle Expansion project at the Copper Mountain Mine near Princeton, BC." - Carried

Copper Mountain Mine, located south of Princeton, British Columbia, is a conventional open pit, truck and shovel operation. The mine has a 45,000 tonnes per day plant that utilizes a conventional crushing, grinding and flotation circuit to produce copper concentrates with gold and silver credits.

Copper Mountain Mine provides the following benefits:

- Strengthens British Columbia's economic independence
- Secures critical minerals needed for clean energy
- Keeps investment and jobs in British Columbia
- Supports 2,600 jobs across the province
- Employs more than 800 people in the greater Princeton area
- Generates nearly \$250 million in annual wages
- Generates Over \$110 million in tax revenues that support health care, education and other priorities

The New Ingerbelle mine extension project is expected to provide approximately 10 more years of mine life to Copper Mountain Mine. The project is currently in the permit amendment phase with the BC government.

We respectfully request the provincial government give the project the necessary attention to provide a permit decision before the end of 2025, ensuring mine operations are not curtailed.

Sincerely,

Campbell Watt Board Vice Chair

c. Hudbay Minerals Inc.

