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Langley

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RE: Telus Stand With Owners Grant – Agri-Kids Application Letter of Support

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to express my support for Alyssa and Blake of Agri-Kids in their application to obtain funding through the Telus Stand With Owners grant. As the MLA and provincial representative for Langley, I have had the pleasure of meeting with and learning more about the value Agri-Kids brings to our local community.

In the last ten years, the Agri-Kids program has been educating children and families through their Innovative Farming Technique, now reaching up to six schools, Agri-Kids provides education on how farming translates to nutrition in our kitchens. Agri-Kids delivers inclusive and engaging material for children in K-7 levels through their cooking program demonstrating how to cook with locally grown ingredients in the classroom, take-home workbooks, recipes to try at home with their family members or alongside Agri-Kids cooking show “Cook with Ava”.

Ensuring that school-aged children have access to nutritional food is fundamental to their education and health. Agri-Kids has provided an impactful resource throughout schools across Langley reassuring parents that their kids are not only being provided with access to nutritional foods but are also acquiring an essential life skill in learning how to cook for themselves. With resources like the Telus Stand With Owners grant, Agri-Kids can continue to offer and expand their program, reaching and educating even more school-aged children.

Sincerely,

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