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Subject: NDIT Letter

Hi Emily,

We are requesting for Mayor and Council to support our request to NDIT Economic Infrastructure Grant to complete the renovations in 13/14-600 Mackenzie Boulevard, which includes the completion of the bar/café area, retrofitting for the event space, additional equipment in the kitchen and bar/café area, etc.

Attached is a draft letter to assist Mayor & Council in seeing what we are hoping to accomplish. I will also be available to speak to Mayor & Council when this is on the agenda.

Thank you,

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RE: CNC Mackenzie Application – Economic Infrastructure Grant

Please accept this letter as confirmation that the District of Mackenzie supports the College of New Caledonia's application to Northern Development Initiative Trust – Economic Infrastructure Grants to fund the completion of the renovations and assets needed for the Event/Teaching Kitchen space that opened in 2021. With these funds, CNC will be able to have finalized spaces and expand the ability to operate a commercial training and teaching kitchen, community banquet hall, and café in Mackenzie.

Having everything completed will increase the opportunities for community groups, local employers, and individuals to host events utilizing the event space and teaching kitchen. Events could include meetings, conferences, indoor markets, craft fairs, fundraisers, pop up events such as burger and beer nights, destination wedding reception venue, dances, and movie nights, making Mackenzie a more desirable place to visit and live.

In addition, the ability of CNC to advance this space and increase training in tourism and hospitality, aligns with the District of Mackenzie's Tourism Plan, 2021-2026, and the Community Economic Development Plan, 2021-2026.

Knowing that CNC will be able to provide appropriate training in a professional venue to support our growing economy and tourism sector is an asset to Mackenzie. We look forward to seeing the positive impact that this project will have on the community.

Sincerely,