



APPENDIX B

September 1, 2023

Provincial Agricultural Land Commission
201 – 4940 Canada Way
Burnaby, BC, Canada
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Please accept this letter in regard to a non-farm use activity within the ALR permit on the Saanich Fairgrounds located at 1528 Stelly's Cross Road in Saanichton BC.

Just Peachy Child Care Ltd. is a family owned and operated business that has been serving the community of Brentwood Bay and Saanichton since 2017. We started out as a small Multi-age centre with eight spaces for children 0 - 12 years of age. Since opening, we have grown significantly to provide for the families in our community.

We now operate two licensed centres; one being an Infant & Toddler catering to 8 children under the age of three and the other a Group 3 - 5 centre located in Saanichton that has 25 spaces available. There are currently 42 families enrolled in our program.

Just Peachy has made a name for ourselves within the community as a quality program that is inclusive to all families. We also hold a waitlist of over 100 families, all in desperate need for quality care. We continue to receive calls or emails daily from families struggling to return to work because they are not able to find care for their most precious little gifts. All of which are turned away.

We have been leasing a beautiful space from the Saanichton Bible Fellowship since October 2021, our short term lease was only renewed for one more year, therefore, we have been asked to leave due to growth within their church. Unfortunately, this will leave our community, many who are young families within the agriculture community with fewer childcare spaces. We hope to obtain a lease agreement with the Saanich Fairgrounds, which is zoned as ALR. This in turn, will continue operations and will expand the spaces available.

In communications with the Board of Directors, we have decided that the Gallery, an existing building will be best suited for this endeavour. There is ample parking, an existing garden for an outdoor play space and the potential for the inside to become a magical space for children to learn. No farmable area within the grounds will be altered or removed in order to accommodate Just Peachy Child Care.

Our emergent curriculum already includes teaching the children about agriculture, gardening, hatching poultry, taking care of a variety of animals and land stewardship. We would love the opportunity to further discuss a collaboration how to grow this to ensure our surrounding community thrives in generations to come as well as how we may be able to incorporate this within the fair each year.

Our community is in such dire need of quality child care and we would be honoured to be able to continue providing this service to them.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kind Regards,

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