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July 17, 2018

Honourable Carole James, MLA  
Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier  
Room 153, Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4  
Sent by email: [FIN.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:FIN.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Minister,

**Re: Recent Council appointees**

On July 12, two new members were appointed to the Real Estate Council of British Columbia, effective immediately.

As you know, the British Columbia Real Estate Association (BCREA) firmly believes the Council will make better decisions if it is informed by practical knowledge and experience of the profession being regulated. This is the most efficient regulatory model, which is why it is used in most jurisdictions. We have raised this issue with you in writing and in person—and as recently as our meeting on July 12.

BCREA urges you and your government to appoint more real estate practitioners to the Council to fill the remaining two vacancies, and upon the expiry of the current Council members' terms on October 31, 2018. If there is a scarcity of licensee applications to fill Council seats, BCREA is happy to raise awareness among REALTORS® of the opportunity.

Once again, thank you for meeting with us on July 12. We truly appreciate the opportunity to connect with you on a regular basis to build our relationship and keep the lines of communication open. If we can assist in any way, please contact me directly ([dhyde@bcrea.bc.ca](mailto:dhyde@bcrea.bc.ca); 604.742.2787).

BCREA is the professional association for about 23,000 REALTORS® in BC, focusing on provincial issues that impact real estate. Working with the province's 11 real estate boards, BCREA provides continuing professional education, advocacy, economic research and standard forms to help REALTORS® provide value for their clients.

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To demonstrate the profession's commitment to improving Quality of Life in BC communities, BCREA supports policies that encourage economic vitality, provide housing opportunities, respect the environment and build communities with good schools and safe neighbourhoods.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Darlene K Hyde". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Darlene Hyde

Chief Executive Officer

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