

**Board of Education (School District 47)**

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The Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation  
The Board of Directors of BC Transit  
The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure  
The Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
The Ministry of Education and Child Care  
The Minister of State for Infrastructure and Transit  
The Ministry of Children and Family Development, and,  
the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth,

To Whom This May Concern,

At the February 14, 2023, meeting, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

**“THAT School District 47 (Powell River) endorse the Single Mothers’ Alliance Transit for Teens Campaign; and, in doing so, write a letter to your organization to work with the Provincial Government to finalize and secure funding and develop a plan that will provide free public transit for teens aged 13 to 18 in BC”.**

Transportation is inextricably linked to people’s social and economic well-being and their ability to access the systems that support them. Free transportation is essential to vulnerable youth in our community. Free transit for low-income residents would create equity, and opportunity for those who need it most. Access to transit will provide youth with access to activities, uptake of supports, a sense of inclusion and the freedom to thrive.

We encourage your organization to support the Single Mothers’ Alliance Transit for Teens Campaign to support youth in British Columbia.

Yours truly,

Ms. Dale Lawson  
Chairperson  
Board of Education  
School District 47 (Powell River)

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