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Dear Prime Minister,

I am a Chinese-Canadian businessman, and currently Chairman of S.U.C.C.E.S.S., a prominent social services organization in Vancouver. I am writing to express my personal support for Vancouver's Supervised Injection Facility.

I do not see the Supervised Injection Facility as a stand-alone project. Instead, I consider the roles and functions of the facility in the context of a comprehensive prevention, treatment and rehabilitation strategy across a person's life span and transitional stages. I commend the vision of the "Four Pillars Drug Strategy" of the City of Vancouver. I agree with the City's drug policy on the four pillars of "Harm Reduction", "Prevention", "Treatment" and "Enforcement", although I would also like the City to provide more "Rehabilitation" services to the individuals as well. The function of the Supervised Injection Facility is a means to help achieving our drug policy goal, and not an end in itself, and should not be assessed in that context.

I am convinced by the research and study evidence that the Supervised Injection Facility has:

- \* decreased public injection
- \* reduced dangerous syringe sharing
- \* reduced HIV risk behavior
- \* increased addicts seeking of treatment and detoxification
- \* reduced measure of public disorder declined with the Supervised Injection Facility opening
- \* reduced bacterial infection such as cellulitis and endocarditis
- \* increased use of detoxification



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At the same time, the safe site has shown:

- no increase in crime
- no increase in public disorder
- no increase in drug dealing in the facility
- no increase in syringe littering
- no increase in relapse rate

I fully understand that there are complex and difficult issues surrounding our work with active addiction which, in general, involve personality and health problems. These problems would not be solved with one single model of treatment. But, I believe that a good continuum of care strategy, in which includes the Supervised Injection Facility as a means, will eventually yield tremendous benefit to the individuals and the community economically, socially and in health.

I, therefore, hope that, Prime Minister, you will provide your full support for the Federal exemption that is required to allow this facility to continue its work.

Respectfully,



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Chairman  
S.U.C.C.E.S.S.