

April 27, 2015

Sharon Gregson
Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC
2772 East Broadway
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Dear Ms. Gregson:

Re. BCIT Faculty and Staff Association Endorsement of \$10aDay Child Care Plan

Thank you for taking the time to speak at our recent Board of Directors meeting. This letter confirms that at the March 18, 2015 FSA Board of Directors meeting we passed the following motion:

“The BCIT Faculty and Staff Association endorses the \$10aDay Childcare Plan proposed by the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC and the Early Childhood Educators of BC.”

Our Board was particularly impressed with the strong evidence-based rationale for the Plan, which clearly demonstrates that this reasonable investment in quality child care will immediately realize significant economic benefits by increasing productivity and economic activity in the provincial economy. Furthermore, we know that our Faculty and Staff constituency, who number over 1,400 members, consider access to high quality and affordable child care a critical issue not only for themselves and their families, but also for our students and graduates. We were also impressed with the emphasis the Plan places on the educational quality of the programs and the credentials of care providers and early childhood educators. Finally, we are happy to acknowledge the care that the Plan takes in supporting the values of accessibility, inclusion, and diversity, including a strong recognition of our First Nations communities.

This Plan has the potential to make a real difference for BC children, families, and communities. We urge politicians to commit to the Plan’s vision and work with communities to immediately begin its implementation.

Sincerely,
BCIT Faculty & Staff Association



Teresa Place
President