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Asalamualaykum Warahmahtullahi Wabarakatu,

I pray this letter finds all of you in the best of health and Islamic spirit. We wanted to take a moment and appreciate our community and the efforts made by our community during 2022. It has been a year that has seen many natural disasters that has decimated Muslim communities all over the world. The management here at The BCMA has always believed in putting our communities first, however, our beautiful religion teaches us the blessings of unity. There is no doubt, we are all from the Ummah of Muhammad, and if one of us is suffering, all of us are suffering.

Through this time your support has been paramount in providing essential aids to these affected Muslim communities. Although, our priority has always been to local projects that support our many Mosques across British Columbia. We at the BC Muslim Association are humbled and proud of the support we have received for the recent international relief projects this past year. You have shown that in times of need our brothers and sisters all over the world can count on their Canadian family to help. In the past year, we raised over \$5.6 Million which is traceable donations and most tax-deductible receipts have been issued. If we take a look at Squared collections, our debit/credit collections terminal, we have collected \$500,000.00 which would put our collections over \$6 million, which is roughly 38% higher than previous years.

Furthermore, I want to give mention of our School and Chilliwack Masjid. We were able to successfully take handover of our new Chilliwack Masjid with more and much needed space for the local community. This was only possible through the generous donations made by our community. On the same side, we made improvements to our school and we were able to reduce the waiting list for Surrey Muslim School and introduced grade 8 and grade 9 in BC Muslim School. Furthermore, the support of our community and your generosity, Surrey/Delta, Burnaby, and Richmond Branch have been approved as funeral homes. With our Richmond branch holding State of Art equipment and design. I truly believe we have stayed true to our word and gameplan and transparency to our community is always our priority.

Our mission has always been unity and coming together for whatever the cause may be. We give our highest and utmost gratitude to all of our branches and chapters that assisted in raising these funds. Our branches have shown they have seen the bigger picture and as our vision goes that one project for one of our branches is a project for the entire BCMA. We want to thank all of our branches that have taken a lead on this matter.

I want to thank everyone that played a role in making this past year a success. I want to thank my team, all of my executives, our entire Finance Team and all of our staff and Respected Imams and School principals that played an integral role. I also want to thank all of our branches and chapters, volunteers and branch directors. I want to give a special thanks to all of our donors and community members that have continuously provided their support.

Jazak Allah Khair,

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President

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