



May 27, 2009

Mr. Blake Richards, MP, Wildrose
16, 620 – 1st Ave NW
Airdrie, Alberta
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Subject: Banff Legacy Trail

Dear Mr. Richards:

On behalf of the membership of the Banff Lake Louise Hotel Motel Association, I would like to thank you for being in Banff on May 19th to break the news about the creation of the Banff Legacy Trail. This was truly an exciting day for the communities of Banff, Lake Louise and Canmore!

We applaud the decision of the federal government to provide funding for this initiative, particularly at a time when spending cuts impede government's ability to demonstrate vision and leadership on issues of shared, long-term importance to all citizens.

The Trail announcement is also a credit to the vision and perseverance of a good number of individuals and organizations who desired to more authentically connect with our mountain environment - and to further share that experience with the world.

The completion of the Banff Legacy Trail in 2010 will indeed be a very fitting way to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the creation of Banff National Park.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Darren Reeder', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Darren Reeder
Executive Director

Cc John Stutz, Mayor of Banff
Richard Leavens, Executive Director, AMPPE
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