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City Of Lethbridge 910 – 4th Avenue South Lethbridge, Alberta T1J 0P6 Attention: Mayor's Office, City Councillors

Dear Mayor Spearman and City Councillors;

I would like to provide this letter of support for a proposed Performing Arts Centre to be included in the next Capital Improvement Program. This is a project that will have lasting impact in our community for years to come.

The City of Lethbridge has a vibrant arts community and professional performing arts centre would only add to the inventory of facilities that enhances our city. As our community grows, and the Yates continues to book at and over capacity, we will see more and more local companies face difficulties in mounting their productions, but also touring shows will continue to bypass our city. The opportunity to see our performing arts community grow and present professional touring shows in Lethbridge in a new Performing Arts Centre would contribute to the downtown and Lethbridge economy.

As our City approaches 100K people, Lethbridge must remain competitive in all areas, arts and culture not to be excluded. Adding a modern performing arts centre will only strengthen Lethbridge's ability to be a leading city in Alberta and Canada.

I am happy to be a supporter of the performing arts centre and I thank you for your consideration of this letter as we fully appreciate the complexity of budgetary decisions made by yourself and fellow Council members.

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