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Mayor Brenda Chisholm Beaton
President
Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities
Via email: info@nsfm.ca

Dear Mayor Brenda Chisholm Beaton:

Thank you very much for your correspondence of July 12, 2023, regarding the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities' Fall Conference in November. I sincerely apologize for the delay in getting back to you.

The NSFM Conferences present an invaluable opportunity for municipal officials to network, share knowledge and experiences, and discuss new and innovative ways to make Nova Scotia a better place for everyone. I always look forward to joining you folks and participating throughout the week.

I would be delighted to offer greetings from the Province at the opening session on Wednesday, November 8, and to assist you in presenting the NSFM Long Service Awards. I am also pleased to deliver remarks on behalf of Premier Houston on Thursday, November 9, and to be part of the Ministers' Panel thereafter. If there are any logistical issues that need to be addressed before the conference, please ask your staff to reach out Nick Barr, Director of Governance & Advisory Services, at (902) 209-3176 or nick.barr@novascotia.ca.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you very much for all of the work that NSFM has done over the past year with respect to the MOU. Your input and participation were critical, and we would not have reached the finish line without you.

Thank you again for the invitation, Brenda. I look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John A. Lohr".

Honourable John A. Lohr
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c: Nick Barr, Director of Governance & Advisory Services, DMAH

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