



June 14, 2023

To Whom it May Concern,

We are writing in regards to Cannabis Retail Policy, and specifically to the Cannabis Retail TUPs being considered at the June 20, 2023 Whistler Council meeting.

Lilwat Nation is in support of the applications which have committed of two percent (2%) **top-line revenue** from all sales of the organization's Whistler Retail location, to be donated to the Lilwat Nation. It is our position that the Lilwat accepts this commitment and supports organizations who are committed to the economic and cultural success of the Nations whose territory Whistler operates on.

Lilwat Nation will reinvest these donations to provide year over year reliable funding towards programs which may include the Skwxwú7mesh Lilwat7úl Cultural Centre. The SLCC is the Nation's largest investment into cultural tourism and provides economic benefits, primarily through capacity building and employment within our community. Through their goal of providing meaningful employment to Indigenous Peoples, the SLCC pays out over \$1.2 million dollars annually in payroll and contracts to Lilwat Nation and Squamish Nation youth and families. The Cultural Centre provides value to visitors driving the tourism economy in Whistler, while creating jobs for our citizens and inspiring meaningful moments for Whistler residents and visitors.

The Lilwat Nation advises that TUP applications which do not specifically commit to 2% **top line revenue** for the Nations or have committed to a split of sales revenue between multiple charitable organizations, be asked for specific details of their commitment.

Sincerely,

Political Chief Dean Nelson