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Michael Janz, Councillor
Ward Papastew

Re: Support for the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues

As President of the Royal Gardens Community League, I am writing this letter in support of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL).

In May of 2021, our community was faced with a serious dilemma. Our volunteer board was not active, and our community league building was falling into disrepair. We had no rental income due to COVID 19 restrictions and were facing financial ruin.

With the help of the EFCL and our City of Edmonton NRC, we were able to assemble a group of community leaders to come together and form a new board. We had to tackle a lot in our first year to correct deficiencies in our building and property, and to rebuild many relationships with vendors, renters, utility providers and the community at large.

The EFCL proved to be instrumental in helping us achieve our short-term goals and to help set us up for success with long-range planning as well. Through their mentorship Café program, our various new board members were able to gain valuable knowledge on a wide range of topics including Being an Effective Board Member, Minute Taking, Writing Bylaws, 15-minute Community, Outdoor Rink Maintenance and more.

Without a doubt, our community league would not be the turn around success story that it is today without the direction, leadership, and funding of the EFCL.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Werthmann", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Bill Werthmann, President
Royal Gardens Community League