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CERTIFIED BOARD RESOLUTION

September 8, 2015

From the minutes of a meeting of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board, held on July 22 and 23, 2015, in the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Boardroom, 1350 Aster Street, Pemberton, BC:

Johnny Mikes, Field Coordinator - Coast to Cascades Grizzly Bear Initiative It was moved and seconded:

WHEREAS grizzly bears and the wild places they inhabit are an iconic and integral part of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) region's natural heritage and image, are culturally significant to First Nations, and there are ecological, economic, and spiritual benefits to conserving and recovering grizzly bears including that they are an "umbrella species", the conservation of which will benefit many other plants, animals and ecosystem values like clean water and recreational opportunities;

AND WHEREAS the July 2004 Draft Lillooet Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP) includes the goal of having viable, healthy grizzly bear populations, and the April 2008 Sea-to-Sky LRMP set a goal of achieving and maintaining viable status for each of the four grizzly bear population units that overlap the Sea-to-Sky LRMP plan area through the development of grizzly bear recovery plans;

AND WHEREAS these grizzly bear recovery plans have not been written and grizzly bear population units in the SLRD area remain threatened;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SLRD supports the management, recovery and long-term viability of grizzly bear populations in the SLRD region, encourages the creation and implementation of grizzly bear recovery plans for threatened grizzly bear populations as soon as possible, and encourages grizzly bear recovery planning to be integrated into parks planning processes.

CARRIED

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board resolution regarding this matter as passed unanimously by the Board at its meeting of July 22 and 23, 2015.

Kristen Clark, Secretary and Director of Legislative and Corporate Services