



February 18, 2015

Lisa Lapointe, Chief Coroner
Office of the Chief Coroner
Ministry of Justice
Metrotower II
4720 Kingsway, Suite 800
Burnaby BC V5H 4N2

Reference: 232991

Dear Chief Coroner Lapointe:

Re: Child Death Review Panel Report and Recommendations

Thank you for your letter and attachment of February 2, 2015, sharing the B.C. Coroners Service Child Death Review Panel Report and resulting recommendations with me.

I recognize the work of the B.C. Coroners Service and the panel participants towards improving safety for young people in our province. The safety of the travelling public is always our highest priority, and we appreciate all efforts to improve safety on our highways.

Specific to the recommendations addressed to my ministry, safety and injury prevention are key considerations when setting and reviewing speed limits across the province. Ministry engineers follow internationally accepted standards when setting speed limits, which take into account a road's safety history, as well as ambient speed, design and level of adjacent development.

As part of the British Columbia Road Safety Strategy Executive Steering Committee, the ministry will continue to work with its road safety partners to monitor the sections of highway where speed limits were changed following the ministry's Rural Highway Safety and Speed Review to ensure they remain safe.

Thank you again for your important work.

Sincerely,

Todd G. Stone
Minister