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The Honourable David Eby
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Via Email

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Dear Premier Eby,

The Saanich Teachers' Association expresses its profound concern and disappointment regarding the Alberta government's decision to invoke the Notwithstanding Clause to legislate Alberta teachers back to work. Such an action represents a troubling decision that undermines the principles of free and fair collective bargaining, rights that are fundamental to a healthy democracy and protected under the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

Our Association stands firmly in solidarity with Alberta teachers and with educators across Canada who are defending their right to negotiate in good faith with their government. We urge the BC government to take a clear and public position opposing this use of the Notwithstanding Clause and to call on the Government of Alberta to return to the bargaining table with the Alberta Teachers' Association.

Teachers across British Columbia, along with many citizens, are watching closely to see how our provincial government responds. The BC government's actions in this moment will signal to educators, union members, and the public its commitment to upholding the rights of workers, protecting the integrity of the collective bargaining process, and safeguarding the democratic values enshrined in the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We trust that your government will stand firmly in support of the fundamental rights of educators and all working people in Canada.

Sincerely,

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