

## Vivian Krause, M.Sc.

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November 4, 2022

To: Ms. Rosemary Hagiwara, Chief Election Officer, City of Vancouver

**RE: Mr. Christopher Richardson, Trustee-Elect, Vancouver School Board 39**

Earlier this week, I provided evidence that Trustee-Elect Mr. Christopher Richardson has been a director of a large number of charities that had their status revoked by CRA because of serious violations of the Income Tax Act. All these charities were set up by a local lawyer, Blake Bromley, who specializes in tax plans, some of which have run afoul of CRA.

This afternoon, I received further documentation from CRA, upon request. These documents, attached, confirm that Mr. Richardson was a founding director of a sixth charity, Essential Grace Foundation, that had its charitable status revoked by CRA.

The attached material shows that Mr. Richardson has been a director of at least 42 of the Bromley charities. Of these, Mr. Richardson has been involved with at least 10 charities that have had their charitable status revoked by CRA. At six, Mr. Richardson was a director:

1. Headwaters Foundation, revoked in 2022
2. Canadian Education Forum, revoked in 2018
3. Theanon Foundation, revoked in 2018
4. Prescient Foundation, revoked in 2010
5. Essential Grace Foundation, revoked in 2010
6. Global Institute, revoked in 2008

Mr. Richardson was also director of Theanon Charitable Foundation, Stewards Charitable Foundation and CHIMP when they made large gifts to the four charities listed below. Because of transactions involving those "gifts," these charities had their status revoked:

7. Timothy Foundation, revoked October 22, 2022
8. Oak Tree Foundation, revoked October 22, 2022
9. John & Lorena Redekop Foundation, revoked October 22, 2022
10. Fortius Foundation, date of revocation not yet publicized

Thank you for your time taken to consider this additional material.

Sincerely,  
Vivian

**c.c. By e-mail:**

Mr. Christopher Richardson, Trustee-Elect  
Ms. Sharmila Khare, Director General, Charities Directorate, CRA  
Mr. Anton Boegman, Chief Electoral Officer, Elections BC  
Ms. Helen McGregor, Superintendent of Schools, VSB39  
Mr. David Green, Secretary & Treasurer, VSB39  
Honourable Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education and Child Care, BC  
Ms. Carolyn Broady, President, BC School Trustees Association  
Mr. Clint Johnston, President, BCTF  
Mr. Ken Sim, Mayor Elect, City of Vancouver  
Mr. John Bromley, President & CEO, CHIMP  
Mr. Blake Bromley  
Ms. Yue Liu, Associate DLA Piper LLP (Commissioner for Taking Affidavits)  
Mr. Josh Vander Vies, In-House Legal Counsel, CHIMP and Nominator.

**Attachments**

1. Pages of tax returns showing Christopher Richardson was director of 42 Bromley charities.
2. Essential Grace Foundation, Application signed by Christopher Richardson, Sept. 30, 2004
3. Essential Grace Foundation, CRA Notice of Intention to Revoke, April 27, 2010.