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Hon. Seamus O'Regan, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Indigenous Services
10 Wellington Street
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4

Dear Minister:

Please accept my congratulations on your new appointment.

When your department was created in 2017, the Canadian Chamber expressed its confidence that progress was at hand in tackling the fundamental quality of life gaps that are the reality of many Indigenous peoples. We have advocated that addressing these gaps is a critical first step in creating the conditions for sustainable economic development for Indigenous peoples and a more productive relationship with Canadian business.

Recently, we had discussions with Minister Philpott regarding how government can look to business for advice on building effective economic development tools for, and partnerships with Indigenous peoples, communities and businesses. Prior to the Cabinet shuffle, we had been in discussions with her office regarding further conversations with our members on this subject and hope to have the opportunity to pursue this with you and your staff.

Once again, please accept my best wishes in your new role and do not hesitate to call upon us if you or your staff feel we can be of assistance in your work.

Sincerely,

Hon. Perrin Beatty, P.C., O.C.
President and Chief Executive Officer

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