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Dear Mayor Heron:

Thank you for your January 4, 2023, letter and budget submission on behalf of Alberta Municipalities. I am pleased to respond on behalf of government. I appreciate you taking the time to provide your input, concerns, and priorities as we develop Alberta's Budget 2023.

Budget 2023 is an opportunity to keep more money in Albertans' pockets, improve our health care system, strengthen our economy, and continue standing up for Albertans. My colleagues and I continue to engage with municipalities, stakeholders, and all Albertans as part of the process to develop Alberta's budget.

The recommendations in your budget submission – including on the new funding framework for local governments, economic development and diversification, broadband, public transit, loans to local authorities, policing, affordable housing, and emergency services – will be part of our overall considerations as we build a budget that addresses our fiscal needs, strives to achieve balance, and continues to position Alberta as a leader in economic growth across the country.

Thank you for taking part in the Budget 2023 process.

Sincerely,

Travis Toews
President of Treasury Board and
Minister of Finance

cc: Honourable Rebecca Schulz
Minister of Municipal Affairs

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