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To Whom It May Concern:

As the Member of Parliament for Vernon–Lake Country–Monashee, I am pleased to write in support of the Lumby Men’s Shed's application to the New Horizons for Seniors Program.

Since its establishment in 2024, the Lumby Men’s Shed has become a valued local resource, providing older men with opportunities to connect, share skills, develop friendships, and remain active and engaged. By fostering social connection and a sense of purpose, the Shed plays an important role in supporting mental and physical well-being while helping to reduce social isolation.

The organization has grown to more than 30 active members from Lumby and surrounding areas and has quickly demonstrated its value to both participants and the broader community. Members contribute their skills through volunteer initiatives and community projects while also benefiting from mentorship, lifelong learning, and peer support.

The Shed has completed numerous projects for local organizations and public spaces and has hosted educational sessions focused on health, wellness, safety, and available community resources. These activities strengthen local connections and create meaningful opportunities for seniors to remain involved, share their experience, and contribute their talents.

Funding through the New Horizons for Seniors Program will help the Shed expand its programming, respond to growing demand, and provide more opportunities for seniors to participate in meaningful social, educational, and volunteer activities. This investment will strengthen the organization’s ability to serve local seniors and continue delivering lasting community impact.

Given the positive impact the Lumby Men’s Shed has already demonstrated, I strongly support their application and encourage your favourable consideration. The organization is making a meaningful difference in the lives of local seniors and contributing lasting benefits throughout the region.

Sincerely,

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