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Dear Friends,

After visiting the fish farms on the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Nations' territories on Sep 25th, I wrote a letter supporting the Nations' request of the provincial government to revoke the fish farm licences and requiring them to be removed from the territories.

I write to invite you to join in a circle of solidarity with the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Nation. The event will take place at the legislative buildings in Victoria on November 2 from 11 am - 2 pm.

The Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Nation are protesting the presence of fish farms on their traditional territories. The fish farms, which are licensed by the provincial government, are there illegally as they have never received the permission of the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Nation. Please take time to come and join in this circle and support our relatives from Kingcome, Gilford Island, Hopetown and Wakeman.

As many of you know, one of the campaign platforms of our present provincial government was to "make sure that these territories and the North Island are cleared of fish farms." It seems to be necessary to remind the provincial government of their campaign promise and showing our solidarity with the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Nation will be one way of doing so.

As I have walked these islands on a sacred journey of reconciliation I am often asked: "What does reconciliation look like?" We can begin to answer that question when our government and industry take the necessary steps to remove the fish farms from the traditional territories of the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Nation.

Yours in Christ,

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