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**Welcome to Kelowna – A Natural Choice!**

On behalf of the Kelowna City Council, I am happy to write this letter welcoming all the athletes, coaches, and their families and friends attending the Okanagan International Wheelchair Cashspiel in Kelowna on March 19 to 20, 2005 at the Kelowna Curling Club.

We are honoured and privileged that Kelowna will host this exciting international event. With two teams from Great Britain competing against the Canadian Paralympic team along with five other BC teams for top honours in wheelchair curling, this Cashspiel promises to be a thrilling event for both the athletes and spectators. We are especially proud of our Team Canada whose success at the World Wheelchair Curling Championships means they will go on to represent Canada in the 2006 Winter Paralympics in Torino, Italy.

Kelowna is a dynamic and vibrant city renowned for our hospitality and friendliness. If time permits, we hope you will enjoy exploring our parks and waterfront esplanade, and experience the many unique restaurants and shops of our city. Kelowna's Cultural District, located in the downtown north end, is evolving into a vibrant artistic and recreational centre.

Kelowna has a special brand of community spirit and enjoys hosting special events such as the Okanagan International Wheelchair Cashspiel. It will be an honour and a pleasure for the City of Kelowna to welcome the athletes and everyone involved with this event.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walter Gray".

Walter Gray  
MAYOR

