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Hello,

Attached and below is a letter from Burnaby Gogos – Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign, requesting to appear as a delegation to council in early 2020. We look forward to hearing that we are accepted.

Hannah Diamond
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17 December 2019

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of **Burnaby Gogos**, a group of local women dedicated to raising awareness about grandmothers caring for a generation of children orphaned by AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa. As part of the nation-wide Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign, we direct our fundraising efforts to the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

Our group was founded in 2010 and in 2012 we were invited by Councillor Sav Dhaliwal to introduce the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign at the June 25th council meeting. We did so and were appreciative of the strong support for our penny drive from several councillors, as well as the clerk and engineering departments.

As 2020 is our 10th anniversary year, we would like to appear as a delegation to council to update the community on our work, to publicly thank the supporters who have helped our group thrive, and to mark the beginning of our anniversary year. Our first preference is January 27th.

Our speakers will be Claire Stegen, [REDACTED] Burnaby, [REDACTED] and Gail Roberts, [REDACTED] Burnaby, [REDACTED] Claire, a 50 year resident of Burnaby, may be reached at [REDACTED] and Gail, who has lived in Burnaby for 26 years, at [REDACTED]

We would like to show a short video as well as introduce the first of our 10th anniversary year fundraisers, "A Taste of Africa" luncheon on March 8, International Women's Day.

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Our work is part of a solidarity movement that supports our sisters in 15 African countries who have stepped in to care for their own grandchildren and thousands of other children orphaned by AIDS. Our fundraising efforts help with school fees and uniforms, clean water, nutritious food and with safe places for the grandmothers to meet to plan their own advocacy work towards gaining their rights in areas such as pensions, land ownership, health care and education.

Burnaby Gogos can be found on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/burnabygogos1/>
For more information about the Greater Van Gogos, our regional network of groups, please visit www.greatervangogos.org

More information about the Grandmothers Campaign and the Stephen Lewis Foundation is available at www.stephenlewisfoundation.org

Please let me know if you have any questions or need more information. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Hannah Diamond
Secretary, Burnaby Gogos

