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His Worship Don Darling Mayor of the City of Saint John 15 Market Square PO Box 1971 Saint John, NB E2L 4L1

Mayor Darling:

Thank you for your recent letter from Saint John City Council requesting that the Department of Energy and Resource Development (ERD) implement a Nuisance Deer Management Assistance Program (NDMAP) in your community for the fall of 2019.

I recognize the City of Saint John has met the pre-requisites of enacting a by-law prohibiting the intentional feeding of deer, allowing landowners to protect their private property with fences, and documenting the support of the majority of the community for a nuisance deer control program through a public survey.

ERD staff members will cooperate with your city staff to implement this program on qualifying lands within the Millidgeville designated area in your city limits for the 2019 deer hunting season commencing in October.

I am pleased to have ERD staff members work with you and your staff to help address some nuisance deer issues that you are experiencing in your city, and to offer a mitigation strategy that considers public concerns from multiple levels. Energy and Resource Development staff will be in contact with your staff to further discuss the implementation details including the involvement of city staff in receiving program applications from landowners.

Sincerely

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