



December 7, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the application for funding submitted by the Safe Amplification Site Society.

As a member of this society, I am very aware of this group's continued efforts to secure a consistent and appropriate venue for music events that accommodate audiences of mixed ages. This organization is working diligently and effectively to address the lack of such venues in Vancouver.

As the Executive Director of the Arts Council of Surrey, I am also very aware of the complete lack of such spaces, not only in Vancouver, but regionally. I coordinate the Youth Arts Council of Surrey and finding suitable and affordable venues for our film viewings, battle of the bands events and talent shows is a constant struggle. Often projects and events can not even happen, not because of lack of energy and interest by the youth wanting to organize them, but because there is no place to hold them.

The Safe Amplification Site Society has a solid plan, it's members have a great deal of collective experience and expertise, and they are all very familiar with community needs.

I am available at any time to offer further information, if needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K.C. Gilroy". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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