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Hon. Carolyn Bennett Minister of Mental Health and Addictions House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Bennett,

Re: Public interest in warning labels, calorie information, and number of standard drinks being required on alcohol containers sold in Canada

A recent <u>CBC story</u> aired on *The National* in January 2022 highlighting research conducted at the University of Victoria's <u>Canadian Institute for Substance Use Research</u> regarding efficacy and public support for alcohol warning labels which communicate health risks to consumers of which they are mostly currently unaware. Many of the signatories of this letter have been involved in this and related research. We include a summary of some of that research with this letter.

Since the CBC story aired, many of us have been contacted by many members of the public, health

We acknowledge with respect the Lekwungen peoples on whose traditional territory the University of Victoria stands, and the Songhees, Esquimalt and $\underline{W} \wedge E$ ‰es} $\underline{W} \otimes \underline{W} \otimes \underline{W}$

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