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We believe in service above self. The Rotary Club of Gibsons seeks to create lasting, positive change in our community by empowering people to take concrete actions in service of our community. It is in this spirit that we voice our support for the efforts of the Connect the Coast Society and Transportation Choices Sunshine Coast to facilitate the construction of a multi-use active transportation path connecting Sunshine Coast communities.

The Sunshine Coast lacks facilities for people seeking to get around using active modes (such as walking and cycling) or micro mobility devices (such as mobility scooters and other small electric-assist vehicles). This limits the ability of many community members to fully participate in opportunities for employment, education and recreation, as well as making it difficult for them to access shops, services and everyday social interactions. Those most adversely affected are often those who are already most marginalized in our society, including youth, seniors, people with disabilities and people living in poverty.

The Rotary Club of Gibsons supports efforts to broaden access to the transportation network – beyond just cars, trucks and semi-trailers. We see the multi-use active transportation path proposed by Connect the Coast Society and Transportation Choices Sunshine Coast as an effective way to improve our transportation network, to make it more welcoming, equitable and environmentally benign. We ask all levels of government to join us in supporting this project.

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