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Valdene Buckley
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Dear Ms. Buckley:

On behalf of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM), I am writing regarding your September 24, 2012 correspondence outlining proposed Name Act Legislation for the Planning Profession in Manitoba.

The AMM Board of Directors discussed this proposal at their October 4, 2012 meeting, and the AMM supports proposed legislation to establish the Manitoba Professional Planners Institute as the organization with the authority for registration of Registered Professional Planners (RPP). Planners are critical to a number of municipal activities, and the AMM supports the RPP designation to protect the public interest. Good planning is essential for successful communities.

As the organization representing all 197 Manitoba municipalities, the AMM believes it is important to express concern about the potential for higher costs involved to hire an RPP, and the importance of allowing municipalities to make the decision whether to hire an RPP.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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