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**MINISTER  
OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING**

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CANADA

Mr. Jeff Lieberman  
Chair, Board of Governors  
University of Manitoba

Dr. Michael Benarroch  
President and Vice-Chancellor  
University of Manitoba

Dear Mr. Lieberman and Dr. Benarroch:

Thank you for your proposal to access the one-time Transitional Support Fund. A strong and responsive post-secondary system is essential in our recovery. The full value of the \$25.6 million fund will be distributed to help post-secondary institutions respond to the challenges and opportunities that have come from the COVID-19 pandemic.

I can confirm that University of Manitoba will be receiving \$14,475,900 from this fund.

Manitoba established the Transitional Support Fund to help institutions address and respond to new fiscal and labour market realities, while continuing to support positive student outcomes. Post-secondary education plays a key role in protecting Manitoba's future by addressing today's priorities.

Allocations to each institution have been provided based on the institution's demonstrated need resulting from the pandemic. Consideration was given to changes in enrolment, increased costs to provide online learning and the unique circumstance of each institution.

I look forward to continuing dialogue and collaboration with our post-secondary partners as we work together to restart our economy and ensure the success of Manitoba's students. If you have any questions please contact Melissa Ballantyne, A/Assistant Deputy Minister, Advanced Education and Skills, at [Melissa.Ballantyne@gov.mb.ca](mailto:Melissa.Ballantyne@gov.mb.ca).

Sincerely,

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Minister of Economic Development  
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