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Dear Mark:

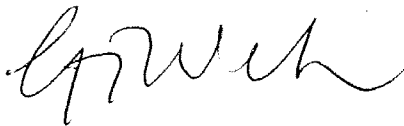
On behalf of the Polar Day organizing committee and the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC), I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for being part of the Second Annual Polar Day at UNBC. The purpose of Polar Day is to highlight the important research and teaching that is taking place at UNBC in the Arctic and Antarctica. It also provides an opportunity to invite guest presenters, who have expertise and experience working and researching in these regions, to the university. This year's event was an overwhelming success, thanks in large part to your involvement.

Your film-making workshop was very well received with over 30 students and aspiring film-makers in attendance. Judging by the questions and discussion after your presentation, I think the audience certainly appreciated your insights and advice on a wide range of topics related to the creation and marketing of films and other forms of multimedia.

Your film, *The Polar Explorer*, was spectacular – a true testament to your skills as a documentary film-maker. The film fit perfectly with the overall theme of Polar Day and provided an enjoyable and engaging finale to the first day of the event. Your answers to the audience's questions following the film demonstrated your passion for polar research and the issue of climate change, as well as the breadth of your knowledge about these topics. I certainly hope that UNBC can become more engaged with the initiatives that you are promoting in this area, in particular the *Youth Climate Report*.

Overall, I would like to say how much my colleagues and I appreciated you taking time out of your busy schedule to visit UNBC and Prince George. I look forward to working with you in the future.

Yours Sincerely,



Gary N. Wilson, PhD.
Coordinator, UNBC Polar Day