



Monday, July 9, 2007.

Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society  
c/o Shadbolt Centre for the Arts  
6450 Deer Lake Ave  
Burnaby BC V5G 2J3

Dear Executive and Members of the Burnaby Rhododendron and Gardens Society,

St. Michael's Centre is a non-profit facility located in Burnaby, which was founded over twenty-seven years ago by the Anglican, Roman Catholic and United Churches, to serve the needs of elderly and infirm residents within our community. Five years ago we expanded that mission to include not only our 128 complex care beds, but also 16 hospice beds for people who have been designated as palliative.

Among the programs and projects that we have undertaken to enrich the quality of life for our residents and patients is a series of therapeutic gardens, to provide oases, places of respite for our patients, residents and their families. Being non-profit has meant that we turn to the community and to service groups each time we need to realize such a project.

Presently, we are creating our third such therapeutic garden, located in the chapel courtyard of our facility. The Royal Bank has given a generous donation to pay for the water pond feature in this garden. We have also been most fortunate to have Mr. Bryce Bandstra, a certified horticulturalist, draw up a plan and give voice to the theme and choice of plants that he has made. I have included the horticulturalist's vision statement behind this garden. All this he has done for gratis. It is for the list of plants that we turn to you to seek funding for. Would BRAGS please assist us to create this restful haven by donating the plants that are listed.

St. Michael's Centre Foundation

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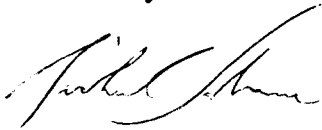
Website: [www.stmichaels.bc.ca](http://www.stmichaels.bc.ca)

Charitable Registration No. 119-191-211

Your service and commitment within the Burnaby community is most appreciated and we hope that St. Michael's Centre will also be a beneficiary of your generosity.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Sabara', written in a cursive style.

Reverend Michael Sabara  
Chair of the Therapeutic Garden Committee  
Foundation Board Member  
Director of Spiritual, Pastoral and Religious Care