----Original Message-----

From: kim johnny Sent: Thursday, September 09, 2021 11:52 PM

To: Gillies, Suzanne

Cc: Kim Johnny

Subject: Winter market, 2021

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Good evening Suzanne,

My name is Kim Johnny. I have owned and operated a small business downtown for over 30 years. My business, Personality Traits is currently located in Burlington's charming Village Square.

I wanted to take a moment to share with you my thoughts about the proposal for the 'Winter Market'. Upon hearing about the proposed market, I felt excited about something for the first time in a while. As a community of citizens and small business owners we have been enduring and constantly adapting to necessary changes due to the pandemic. I feel our city/community could really benefit from a safe, 'feel good ' event that will provide people with a beautiful reason to get outside, Mingle, shop, share in some cheer and truly enjoy our beautiful downtown. This is a wonderful opportunity for local businesses and artisans to participate and gain exposure.

The proposal sounds like an experience that will excite our senses and fill our hearts and souls. Our citizens need something to look forward to and our businesses need a boost. This winter market sounds like just the thing!

Thank you, Kim johnny