

Re-Establish the Saskatchewan Film Tax Credit

WHEREAS the elimination of the Film Employment Tax Credit by the Saskatchewan government in 2012 decimated a once-thriving film and television industry in Saskatchewan;

WHEREAS according to the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, the true cost of the film tax credit was just over \$1 million per year, and the net economic benefit was \$44.5 million;

WHEREAS support for creative-based industries is an important step towards building a more diverse economy and creating jobs that attract people to stay in Saskatchewan;

WHEREAS Saskatchewan remains well positioned to benefit from renewed support of the film and television industry with the existing Canada Saskatchewan Production Studios, a state-of-the-art soundstage facility, currently sitting underutilized;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a Saskatchewan Liberal government will re-establish a competitive film employment tax credit, offering a 45% labour-based refundable credit for eligible productions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Saskatchewan Liberal government will work with industry groups to develop further sustainable and targeted incentives to support a competitive film, television and digital media industry in Saskatchewan.