

**“THANK A YOUTH WORKER DAY”**

- WHEREAS** *we look to recognize the profound positive impact of the City of Victoria’s youth workers today – those individuals who work with or on behalf of children and youth in our region; and*
- WHEREAS** *youth workers comprise a diverse respected group: young or older, paid or volunteer, part-time or full-time, our “Thank A Youth Worker Day” commemorates the depth and breadth or influence youth workers have on the personal, social and educational development of our next generations; and*
- WHEREAS** *it is recognized and acknowledged that youth workers through their work & collective efforts promote the development of community leaders, positive role models, intercultural understanding & tolerance, cooperation amongst the generations, and opportunities for socialization, personal development & community service; and*
- WHEREAS** *the City of Victoria and our larger region enjoys an abundance of talented and committed individuals who dedicate their lives to service in the interest of raising up tomorrow’s leaders through their work in the community – the work of hand, heart, spirit and mind – whose work is so deeply embedded it can often go unnoticed; and*
- WHEREAS** *today we honor our youth workers who have committed themselves to making our children and youth stronger through their steadfast dedication, passion and firm belief in our children & youth. To join in their efforts, our communities can make an investment in our youth by honoring those who guide, teach, develop and support our young people throughout their lives; and*
- WHEREAS** *i call upon all citizens to celebrate and thank the City of Victoria’s youth workers through personal and public acknowledgement of their contributions, thanking both volunteers and professionals for their tireless work.*

**NOW, THEREFORE** I do hereby proclaim the day of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as "**THANK A YOUTH WORKER DAY**" on The **TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES** of the **ESQUIMALT AND SONGHEES FIRST NATIONS** in the **CITY OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA**.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

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**LISA HELPS  
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BRITISH COLUMBIA**

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