

“RIDE FOR REFUGE DAY”

- WHEREAS** *Ride for Refuge is designated as a non-competitive, family-friendly day of cycling and walking for people of all ages and fitness to support charities who provide refuge and hope for the displaced, vulnerable and exploited; and*
- WHEREAS** *Ride for Refuge supports churches and charities providing support to refugees (both claimant and sponsored), widows & orphans, the homeless, human trafficking survivors, and Aboriginals and First Nations people who have been abused and traumatized in our communities; and*
- WHEREAS** *Ride for Refuge supports churches and charities locally, nationally and internationally; and*
- WHEREAS** *Ride for Refuge is an experiential event which happens each year on the last Saturday before Thanksgiving across Canada to give participants a personal idea of what it's like to seek refuge; and*
- WHEREAS** *Ride for Refuge brings changes and improvements in the lives of individuals and families throughout the Capital Region District; and*
- WHEREAS** *Ride for Refuge has been an annual event in Victoria, since 2014; and*
- WHEREAS** *September 29, 2018 has been designated as Ride for Refuge Day to provide far-reaching impact, care for people, touch lives and bring hope.*

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 29th, 2018 as **“RIDE FOR REFUGE DAY”** on the **TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES** of the **ESQUIMALT AND SONGHEES FIRST NATIONS** in the **CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY** of the **PROVINCE** of **BRITISH COLUMBIA**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 20th day of September, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Joanne Specht
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