

“THINK LOCAL WEEK”

WHEREAS *investing in our community by shopping at locally-owned businesses creates a stronger and healthier Victoria by keeping more money in the local economy; and*

WHEREAS *locally-owned businesses help to sustain vibrant, compact and sustainable communities; and*

WHEREAS *locally-owned businesses contribute to the unique character of our community; and*

WHEREAS *spending money with local businesses keeps that money and jobs in the community; and*

WHEREAS *locally-owned businesses invest more in local labour, pay more local taxes, and spend more time on community- based organizations.*

NOW, THEREFORE *I do hereby proclaim the week of November 12th to 18th, 2018 as “**THINK LOCAL WEEK**” 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 8th of November, Two Thousand and Eighteen.*

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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