

**“MEXICAN HERITAGE WEEK”**

**WHEREAS** *the City of Victoria is a culturally diverse place – home to residents from countries of origin all over the globe, including Mexico; and*

**WHEREAS** *the Mexican community have contributed significantly to the growth of City of Victoria; and*

**WHEREAS** *the Mexican Community of Victoria and through the region and across British Columbia contribute to the social, cultural, economic vibrancy of Canada, the arts, academia, science and other fields; and*

**WHEREAS** *the heritage and traditions enrich our lives, and their manifestations help to educate and promote understanding among diverse cultures and people; and*

**WHEREAS** *on July 13 and 14, Mexican Heritage Week, Festival Mexicano celebrations showcasing food, live music, salsa dance lessons, pinatas and many more.*

**NOW, THEREFORE** *I do hereby proclaim the week of July 9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 as*  
**“MEXICAN HERITAGE WEEK”** *on the HOMELANDS of the Lekwungen*  
*speaking SONGHEES AND ESQUIMALT PEOPLE in the CITY OF*  
**VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** *I hereunto set my hand this July 11<sup>th</sup>, Two Thousand and Nineteen.*

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**LISA HELPS**  
**MAYOR**  
**CITY OF VICTORIA**  
**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

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