## "TIBET DAY"

- **WHEREAS** Tibetans throughout the world will gather on March 10, 2020, in their host countries, to commemorate this day as their National Day of Remembrance; and
- **WHEREAS** we in the multicultural City of Victoria respect the importance of historic events in the many diverse communities which comprise our own city; and
- WHEREAS the spiritual and temporal leader of the Tibetan people, His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet, the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize Winner, is a significant contributor to the culture and religion of both our community and the greater world; and
- WHEREAS His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet offers these thoughts: "My message is the practice of compassion, love, and kindness. Compassion can be put into practice if one recognizes the fact that every human being is a member of humanity and the human family, regardless of differences in religion, culture, color and creed. Deep down there is no difference."
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as "TIBET DAY" 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 February 27<sup>th</sup>, Two Thousand and Twenty.

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
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