



CITY OF VICTORIA

PROCLAMATION

“POLONIA DAY”

WHEREAS *The City of Victoria residents represent many different traditions, cultures, and languages from around the world; and*

WHEREAS *The City of Victoria recognizes the United Nations' declaration regarding "the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world"; and*

WHEREAS *The City of Victoria is home to a large Polish-Canadian community that has contributed significantly to the social and economic vitality of the City; and*

WHEREAS *Polonia Day celebrates the Polish diaspora around the world that encompasses many Polish traditions, values, and Polish heritage, it is a significant time in the Polish community to celebrate Polish heritage; and*

WHEREAS *Polonia Day acknowledges and celebrates the contributions of the Polish Community for whom May 2nd is a significant time and integral to their identity.*

NOW, THEREFORE *I do hereby proclaim Tuesday, May 2nd, as “POLONIA 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 27th day of April, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.*

MARIANNE ALTO
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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