## *"VICTORIA CO-OP DAY "*

- **WHEREAS** Co-operatives are major economic drivers around the world, providing employment, housing, wellness, health, social services and home care; transportation, utilities, agricultural excellence, marketing, the arts, financial services, recreation; and
- **WHEREAS** Co-operatives are locally-owned and controlled, ensuring that decisions, employment and financial surpluses remain in our community; and
- *WHEREAS* the Victoria Health Co-operative provides services for members and a wide range of community outreach services; and
- **WHEREAS** the Victoria Health Co-operative initiated Victoria Co-op Day in 2013. Each year co-operatives from across the region are invited to set up displays as guests of the Victoria Health Co-op, and all residents of the region, and guests, are invited to attend the VHC Annual General Meeting; and
- **WHEREAS** Wellness, health and social services co-operatives serve over one million Canadians covering all aspects of wellness education, home care, and employment support for people with barriers to employment; and
- **WHEREAS** all in Victoria and neighbouring areas are invited to attend Victoria Co-op Day as the guests of the Victoria Health Co-operative.
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as "VICTORIA CO-OP 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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sponsored By: Vanessa Hammond Chair: Victoria Health Co-op



## Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of February 15, 2018

To: Committee of the Whole

Date: January 25, 2018

From: Chris Coates, City Clerk

Subject: Proclamation "Victoria Co-Op Day" March 10, 2018

## RECOMMENDATION

That the *Victoria Co-Op Day Proclamation* be forwarded to the February 22, 2018 Council meeting for Council's consideration.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached as Appendix A is the requested *Victoria Co-Op Day Proclamation*. Council has established policy addressing Proclamation requests. The policy provides for:

- A staff report to Committee of the Whole.
- Each Proclamation request requiring a motion approved at Committee of the Whole prior to forwarding it to Council for their consideration.
- Staff providing Council with a list of Proclamations made in the previous year.
- Council voting on each Proclamation individually.
- Council's consideration of Proclamations is to fulfil a request rather than taking a position.

A list of the 2017 Proclamations is provided as Appendix B in accordance with the policy. Consistent with City Policy, Proclamations issued are established as fulfilling a request and does not represent an endorsement of the content of the Proclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Coates City Clerk

Appendix A: Proclamation "Victoria Co-Op Day" Appendix B: List of Previously Approved Proclamations