## "EATING DISORDER AWARENESS WEEK"

*WHEREAS* Eating disorders have the highest mortality rate among all psychiatric illnesses and can develop in anyone, regardless of age, ethno-racial background, socioeconomic status, gender or ability; and

- *WHEREAS* Eating Disorder Awareness Week seeks to raise awareness of eating disorders, shed light on dangerous and pervasive myths, and promote prevention; and
- WHEREAS The Provincial Eating Disorders Awareness (PEDAW) campaign launches annually in February with events and activities taking place throughout the year and is a BC Province wide effort to raise awareness around prevention and early intervention of eating disorders as well as media literacy, resiliency, building healthy body image and self-esteem; and
- WHEREAS PEDAW is led by Jessie's Legacy Eating Disorders Prevention and Awareness Program at Family Services of the North Shore in collaboration with Kelty Mental Health Resource Centre, the Looking Glass Foundation for Eating Disorders, St. Paul's Specialized Adult Eating Disorder Program and BC Children's Hospital Eating Disorders Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the week of February 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as "EATING DISORDER AWARENESS 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sponsored By: Kimberly Strain PEDAW Committee Provincial Eating Disorder Awareness Campaign



## Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of January 18, 2018

То:	Committee of the Whole		Date:	December 14, 2017
From:	Chris Coates, City Clerk			
Subject:	Proclamation "Eating Disorder Awarene	ss V	Veek" Fel	bruary 1 to 7, 2018

## RECOMMENDATION

That the *Eating Disorder Awareness Week Proclamation* be forwarded to the January 25, 2018 Council meeting for Council's consideration.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached as Appendix A is the requested *Eating Disorder Awareness Week Proclamation*. Council has established a 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 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 "Eating Disorder Awareness Week" Appendix B: List of Previously Approved Proclamations