"WORLD HEPATITIS DAY"

- **WHEREAS** HepCBC Hepatitis C Education and Prevention Society is a local, nonprofit, community-based organization whose mission is "To provide education, prevention and support for those living with HCV"; and
- **WHEREAS** approximately 220,000 Canadians are affected by hepatitis B and approximately 220,000 Canadians are affected by hepatitis C; and
- **WHEREAS** many of those living with hepatitis C are currently unaware of their illness as hepatitis can be asymptomatic for 30 to 40 years after initial infection; and
- **WHEREAS** most cases of hepatitis C can now be cured; and
- **WHEREAS** The World Hepatitis Alliance has declared July 28 World Hepatitis Day, during which HepCBC will campaign to raise public awareness that day.
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the day of July 28th, 2016 as "WORLD HEPATITIS DAY" in the CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA, the TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES of the ESQUIMALT AND SONGHEES FIRST NATIONS."
- *IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, *I hereunto set my hand this 28th day of July, Two Thousand and Sixteen.*

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

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