

**'NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING'**

**WHEREAS** *every year, more than 1,000 Canadian workers are killed on the job; and*

**WHEREAS** *thousands more are permanently disabled; and*

**WHEREAS** *hundreds of thousands are injured; and*

**WHEREAS** *thousands of others die from cancer, lung disease, and other ailments caused by exposure to toxic substances at their workplaces; and*

**WHEREAS** *April 28th of this year has been chosen by the Canadian Labour Congress as:*

- *a Day of Mourning for these victims of workplace accidents and disease;*
- *a Day to remember the supreme sacrifice they have been forced to make in*
- *order to earn a living;*
- *a Day to renew approaches to governments for tougher occupational health*  
*and*
- *safety standards, and more effective Compensation;*
- *a Day to rededicate ourselves to the goal of making Canada's workplace*  
*safer.*

***NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the day of April 28th, 2016 as "NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING" 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 24th day of March, Two Thousand and Sixteen***

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**LISA HELPS  
MAYOR  
CITY OF VICTORIA  
BRITISH COLUMBIA**

***Sponsored by:  
Councillor Isitt***