

“HEALTH, WELLNESS & SUSTAINABILITY FESTIVAL DAY”

WHEREAS *people of the 21st century are facing heretofore unprecedented levels of obesity, diabetes and health concerns, that directly affect longevity and quality of life, as a result of poor food choices, lack of education and a sedentary lifestyle; and*

WHEREAS *the effort to improve health and wellness is frequently a personal affair, in the form of year-end resolutions that routinely fall short. The cultivation of a community dedicated to reversal of the problem is important, as means of providing support, education and accountability; and*

WHEREAS *the Health, Wellness, & Sustainability Festival is committed to creating an exceptional forum of like minded health and culinary professionals, tourists and members of the community, to share in a fun and educational event, complete with wonderful food, and a symposium to be headlined by a highly sought after speaker on health; and*

WHEREAS *the Health, Wellness, & Sustainability Festival has contributed to the well-being of our community by donating the \$4,500 raised for the Growing Chef Foundation from the dinner held on November 14th, 2015, at the Atrium. This was a partnership between Camosun College’s Hospitality and Tourism program and the Island Chef Collaboration.*

NOW, THEREFORE *I do hereby proclaim the day of February 27th, 2016 as “HEALTH, WELLNESS & SUSTAINABILITY FESTIVAL 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 month of February 11th, Two Thousand and Sixteen.*

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

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