

"LOUIS RIEL DAY"

WHEREAS *The Métis People are recognized as one of Canada's aboriginal peoples pursuant to section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982; and*

WHEREAS *the Metis culture, rich in spiritual beliefs and colourful traditions, is an integral part of British Columbia's multicultural character; and*

WHEREAS *throughout history, Metis citizens have made significant contributions to the development and success of our province; and*

WHEREAS *Louis Riel has made an enormous contribution towards the development of this country; and*

WHEREAS *British Columbia recognizes "Louis Riel Day", November 16th, 1993, as a national Metis holiday in commemoration of the 108th anniversary of the death of Louis Riel.*

NOW, THEREFORE *I do hereby proclaim the day of November 16th, 2015 as "LOUIS RIEL 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 12th day of November, Two Thousand and Fifteen.*

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sponsored By:
Keith Henry
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