

“RECOVERY DAY”

- WHEREAS** Addictions to drugs and alcohol have been and continue to be the terrible burden – costly in so many ways – for so many Victoria citizens and their families; and
- WHEREAS** So many hundreds of thousands of steadfast and courageous citizens over the years have acknowledged their crippling dependencies and moved on to lives of sobriety; and
- WHEREAS** So many have found again their dignity and self-respect and loving regard for themselves and those around them; and
- WHEREAS** These brave souls have discovered and truly learned that honesty and sobriety and a full return to citizenship all march hand in hand; and
- WHEREAS** Many have until this day been reluctant to declare openly and without need for explanation that they live proudly in RECOVERY; and
- WHEREAS** These very same people say in unison, “I AM IN RECOVERY,” and I am all the stronger and happier and more richly fulfilled as a person because of it; and
- WHEREAS** We choose now to CELEBRATE our RECOVERY and the RECOVERY of those sons and daughters, brothers and sisters beside us.

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the day of September 13th, 2015 as “**RECOVERY 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 10th day of September, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
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