

# Petition to Recognize International Women's Day as a Statutory Holiday Excerpted from Minutes 2017-06-05

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

# Final motion as amended:

### WHEREAS:

- 1. On April 12, 2017 Brendan Boylan initiated a petition to the House of Commons, this was sponsored by Don Davies, Member of Parliament for Vancouver Kingsway;
- 2. And Britannia Community Centre endorsed this petition on May 10, 2017;
- 3. Petition to the House of Commons reads:
  - i. Women have long been underrepresented, underpaid and treated unequally in Canada;
  - ii. We as Canadians recognize the importance of addressing our historical and present sexist practices;
  - iii. We need to recognize all past, present and future contributions women have made to every aspect of society; and
  - iv. We the undersigned, citizens of Canada, call upon the House of Commons to make International Women's Day (March 8th), a National and statutory holiday in Canada.

# THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation endorse the above petition; and

#### CARRIED

(Commissioner Crawford opposed)

B. Have petitions available at Community Centres and other Park Board facilities for the public to sign.

# **LOST**

(Commissioners Coupar, Crawford, Kirby-Yung, Shum, Wiebe opposed)