

## MOTION ON NOTICE

## Petition to Recognize International Women's Day as a Statutory Holiday

MOVER: Commissioner Mackinnon

## 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 THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation endorse the above petition and have petitions available at Community Centres and other Park Board facilities for the public to sign.