

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY

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PROCLAMATION

Sno'uyutth Day

November 22, 2017

Whereas, on November 22, 2015, in a public ceremony held on the grounds of the new Oak Bay High School, *Sno'uyutth*, a welcome pole, was dedicated to mark the commitment to a revitalized and collaborative relationship among Oak Bay community residents, the District of Oak Bay, the Greater Victoria School District #61, and the Songhees and the Esquimalt First Nations, whose traditional territory includes Oak Bay; and

Whereas, the *Sno'uyutth* pole provides an important recognition of the history, culture and traditions of the Songhees and Esquimalt people and promotes understanding between our communities; and

Whereas, the *Sno'uyutth* pole is a lasting legacy of the collaboration possible within our community and with our First Nations neighbours; and

Whereas, Sno'uyutth, in the Lekwungen language, means the spreading of good energy which is integrated in our daily lives in Oak Bay to build and maintain a strong community in recognition of our past, present and future;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nils Jensen, Mayor of the District of Oak Bay, do hereby proclaim November 22 to be "Sno'uyutth Day".

Nils Jensen, Mayor District of Oak Bay



