



The SalishSea

...World Heritage

To: Mayors & Councils, and Regional Directors in the Province of BC

re: A Grande Finale for 2017,
...Sustainable Development, & Our Local & World Heritage

October 27, 2017

Dear Mayor & Councils, and Regional Directors,

We have two requests which would greatly benefit from your personal consideration ...and your formal support as representatives of local government in British Columbia.

1) Recognition for December 11th, A Day For Our Common Future, this year being the 30th anniversary of the Brundtland Report's presentation to the United Nations. The BC Government, and many local governments have supported this designation since 2012.

<<http://viccs.vcn.bc.ca/all-nations-and-peoples-proclamation-a-day-for-our-common-future/>>

2) Praise and recognition of the 41 UNESCO World Heritage Site applications submitted in 2017, from across Canada; Minister McKenna to announce ten successful bids this December.

<<http://salishseatrust.ca/2016/10/31/updates-canadas-tentative-list-for-world-heritage-sites/>>

As 2017 comes to an end we find a wonderful opportunity before us, a chance to provide leadership and commitment to the very best our communities, province and country have to offer. And as respected and honourable representatives of local government - Mayors & Council Members and Directors in the Province of BC, we are then approaching you - to champion the spirit and strength that vitalizes and runs throughout our communities in British Columbia, and Canada.

In the near future, over the next month, we hope you might then find a chance to support the 30th anniversary of UNCED and sustainable development. And as you debate our legacy, and future, please consider support for UNESCO and our rich cultural and natural World Heritage ...in your neighbourhoods and regions, and across our great province and country.

Additional information is available, at your request. As non-profit organizations we are working together to encourage efforts locally which reflect national and global goals. These requests highlight new and ongoing work in the community of communities that is B.C. and Canada, and the benefits that follow from such initiatives.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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