

City of Burnaby



Proclamation

WRONGFUL CONVICTION DAY

Whereas The loss of one's freedom due to a wrongful conviction has far-reaching effects. It affects the innocent person's quality of life as well as the quality of life for their family members and has a harmful effect on society as a whole; and

WHEREAS Wrongful convictions question the integrity and fairness of the criminal justice system and unless corrected undermines the society's trust in their criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS Wrongful Conviction Day is a global movement dedicated to advocating for innocent individuals who have been wrongly convicted of a crime they did not commit. The implementation and recognition of this day is the start to reaching a broader audience regarding the importance surrounding miscarriages of justice. A proclamation will assist to advocate, educate, and create awareness around those miscarriages of justice in hope for reform to minimize the effect it could have on another individual.

NOW THEREFORE I, MIKE HURLEY, MAYOR OF BURNABY,
DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2 AS

“WRONGFUL CONVICTION DAY”

IN THE CITY OF BURNABY.

Dated this Twenty-eighth Day
of September, 2020 A.D.

MIKE HURLEY
MAYOR

