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## **SIKH HERITAGE MONTH**

**ICICAS** Sikhs began immigrating to Canada and settling in British Columbia over a century ago and today BC is home to Canada's largest population of Sikh-Canadians; and

**WHEREAS** Sikhs have made, and continue to make, a significant contribution to the economic, social and cultural fabric of BC and communities across the province, including Burnaby; and

**WHEREAS** Sikh Heritage Month was launched in BC in 2018 and formally recognized by the Government of Canada in 2019 with the purpose of celebrating the contributions and aspirations of all Sikh-Canadians and developing a greater understanding and appreciation of the community's rich, unique and diverse heritage; and

**WHEREAS** The theme of Sikh Heritage Month BC this year is "Finding Sehaj" which means "a journey to peace and tranquility"; and

**WHEREAS** Burnaby celebrates the diversity of its community, and recognizes that diversity is a source of social, cultural and economic enrichment and strength.

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

## **"SIKH HERITAGE MONTH"**

IN THE CITY OF BURNABY.

Dated this Twelfth Day of April, 2021 A.D.

> MIKE HURLEY MAYOR