



City of Campbell River

From the Office of the Mayor

- PROCLAMATION -

WHEREAS

In 1931, over 1,000 acres of land was gifted to the Province of British Columbia by the Elk River Timber Company, the government having agreed to use the land "for experimental work for reforestation and forest management only";

AND WHEREAS

in March 1931, 15,000 two-year-old trees were taken to Campbell River to start the government reforestation plan in the Beaver Lodge Lands, for the first large-scale reforestation of logged-off land in B.C.;

AND WHEREAS

In recognition of the binding obligation of the gift for forestry purposes, Bill 52 was passed in 1993, making the Beaver Lodge Forest Lands the first B.C. experimental forest protected under its own Provincial legislation;

AND WHEREAS

The Beaver Lodge Lands continue to be a place of wonder, education, recreation, filled with miles of shaded trails, suitable for walks and bikes, equipped with maps and signage and providing a unique park-like setting for Campbell River residents and visitors.

AND WHEREAS

Members of the Beaver Lodge Lands Trust Committee are now in the process of organizing celebrations for June 1st to mark the 20th anniversary of the legislative passage of Bill 52 in 1993;

NOW THEREFORE I, Walter Jakeway, Mayor of the City of Campbell River do hereby proclaim June 1st, 2013 to be observed as:

"BEAVER LODGE LANDS DAY"

in the City of Campbell River, Province of British Columbia.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2013.


Walter Jakeway
MAYOR