

-PROCLAMATION-

- **WHEREAS** the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms 15 (1) states that Every individual is equal before and under the law and has the right to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination and, in particular, without discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability;
- AND WHEREAS racism and acts of hatred have no place in twenty-first century Canadian society, and yet there has been a dramatic surge in incidents of racism across Canada, particularly instances of anti-Asian racism;
- **AND WHEREAS** according to Statistics Canada, police-reported hate crimes against East and South East Asians increased 301% in 2020;
- AND WHEREAS Stand With Asians Coalition (SWAC) brings allies together across our country to raise awareness and combat anti-Asian racism by calling out racism where it occurs each and every time;
- AND WHEREAS aiming to maintain our values as inclusive and racially diverse Canadians we support the Stand With Asians Coalition to build a stronger, more inclusive society where everyone can feel safe, happy and healthy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Andy Adams,

Mayor of the City of Campbell River, do hereby proclaim May 2022

"ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH"

and May 10, 2022

"DAY OF ACTION AGAINST ASIAN RACISM"

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

Dated this 21st day of March 2022 in Campbell River BC.

Andy Adams MAYOR