

PROCLAMATION NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR AWARENESS WEEK APRIL 22 – 28/2012

WHEREAS: BC Transplant, established in 1986, is a comprehensive health

care organization responsible for all aspects of organ transplants

in British Columbia; and

WHEREAS: since its inception, thousands of British Columbians have had a

life saving organ transplant. Despite this, there is still a significant need. Sadly, many of them will die before they get a second

chance at life; and

WHEREAS: the Registry, implemented in 1997, is the only one of its kind in

Canada and replaced all previous methods of indicating one's intent, including the decal we once placed on our Driver's Licence or CareCard. The Organ Donor Registry gives individuals four different choices, including the option not to be a donor. It is

important to register regardless of one's decision.

NOW THEREFORE I, John Ruttan, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim that April 22 to 28, 2012, be known as:

"NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR AWARENESS WEEK"

in the City of Nanaimo.

John Ruttan MAYOR

DATED THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2012.