

## PROCLAMATION ZONTA CLUB OF NANAIMO SEPTEMBER 20, 2013

- WHEREAS: Zonta International's "Zonta Club of Nanaimo" is a worldwide service organization of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women, to understand peace, goodwill and improve life in the community through service both locally and globally; and
- WHEREAS: Zonta's focus is on education, literacy and advocacy for women and children, by providing funding, scholarships and bursaries for students through VIU, Nanaimo/Ladysmith school foundation, Kid's Help Phone, Literacy Nanaimo, Lester Pearson College of the Pacific, Alianza, Praina School (Mangalore India); and
- Zonta helps with many service programs in the community and supports the WHEREAS: children's counselling programs at Haven Society; and
- Zonta recognizes and supports young women to expand their leadership WHEREAS: skills, volunteering and civic contributions. Zonta also advocates ways to prevent violence in local communities, promotes justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms; and
- Zonta Club of Nanaimo celebrates their 20th Anniversary this year, WHEREAS: September, 20, 2013.

NOW THEREFORE I, John Ruttan, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim that September 20, 2013, be known as:

"ZONTA CLUB OF NANAIMO DAY

in the City of Nanaimo.

John Ruttan MAYOR DATED THIS 29TH DAY OF JULY, 2013.