

PROCLAMATION NATIONAL HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY JUNE 6/2015

WHEREAS: the Parliament of Canada wishes to increase awareness among Canadians of the

significant benefits of physical activity and to encourage Canadians to increase their level of physical activity and their participation in recreational sports and fitness

activities; and

WHEREAS: it is in Canada's interest to improve the health of all Canadians and to reduce the burden

of illness on Canadian families and on the Canadian Health Care System; and

WHEREAS: many local governments in Canada have public facilities to promote the health and

fitness of their citizens; and

WHEREAS: the Government of Canada wishes to encourage local governments to facilitate

Canadian's participation in healthy physical activities; and

WHEREAS: the Government of Canada wishes to encourage the country's local governments, non-

government organizations, the private sector and all Canadians to recognize the first Saturday in June as National Health and Fitness Day and to mark the day with local events and initiatives celebrating and promoting the importance and use of local health,

recreational, sports and fitness facilities; and

WHEREAS: Canada's mountains, oceans, lakes, forest, parks and wilderness also offer recreational

and fitness opportunities; and

WHEREAS: Canadian Environment Week is observed throughout the country in early June, and

walking and cycling are great ways to reduce vehicle pollution and improve physical

fitness; and

WHEREAS: declaring the first Saturday in June to be National Health and Fitness Day will further

encourage Canadians to participate in physical activities and contribute to their own

health and well-being.

NOW THEREFORE I, Bill McKay, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2015, as:

"NATIONAL HEALTH & FITNESS DAY"

in the City of Nanaimo.

Bill McKay M A Y O R

DATED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015.