

Office of The Mayor of the City of Burnaby

# PROCLAMATION

## **TZU CHI DAY**

#### WHEREAS

The Buddhist Compassion Relief Tzu Chi Foundation originated in Taiwan and is one of the most active charitable organizations in the world, devoting itself to assist people in need world-wide in the areas of charity, medicine, education, environmental protection and humanistic; and

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The Tzu Chi foundation Canada, founded in Canada in 1992, adhering to the teaching of Master Cheng Yen, has dedicated itself to spread love and compassion in Canada, British Columbia and, in particular, the City of Burnaby; where Tzu Chi members have been serving senior homes, Food Banks and Salvation Army continuously for more than a decade; funding local hospitals with medical facilities; providing street cleaning, waste reduction and recycling services; sponsoring breakfast program in 7 schools for under-privileged students, as well as comfort kit and winter relief program for the homeless throughout the year; and

WHEREAS Tzu Chi Foundation Canada members have exemplified their devotion, generosity, volunteerism; and their efforts have reflected the compassionate nature of Buddhism and their kindness to humanity in providing relief of pain and suffering of people in need; and

WHEREAS In celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Tzu Chi Foundation Canada, and its special occasion of Buddha's birthday, and Mother's day.

NOW THEREFORE I, DEREK CORRIGAN, MAYOR OF BURNABY DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE DAY OF MAY 14, 2017 AS

#### "TZU CHI DAY"

