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Dear Mayor and Council, Park Board Commissioners and Library Trustees,

Vancouver's South Asian Radio station Spice Radio - AM1200 is launching its 2016 "Raise Your Hand Against Racism" campaign. Every year Spice Radio invites municipalities around the Lower Mainland to join in this campaign in an effort to end racism in our community. The City of Vancouver is participating as part of its reconciliation work and as part of the annual International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21.

On Saturday, March 19, Spice Radio will invite citizens to visit designated municipal buildings around the Lower Mainland to dip their hands in water colours and add their handprint to banners as a pledge to end racism. Participating citizens will be encouraged to share pictures on social media to bring attention to the campaign. In Vancouver, the Fraserview Branch of the Vancouver Public Library, Roundhouse Community Centre and Sunset Community Centre will be participating on March 19th from NOON - 4:00 pm. You are invited to visit any one of these sites to join in on the festivities.

You are also invited to the Protocol Boardroom, 3rd Floor, Vancouver City Hall on either Tuesday, March 8th or Wednesday, March 9th between 9:00 am - 4:00 pm to dip your hand in water colours and create a City of Vancouver banner, which will be displayed in the City Hall rotunda until International Day for the Elimination of Racism on March 21. Please come by City Hall during these times and add your handprint and signature as your pledge to eradicate racism.

Regards,

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