Dear Mayor and Council,

The City of Vancouver recognizes April 28 as the provincial Day of Mourning to commemorate those who have been killed, injured or become ill in the course of their employment. In 2015, 122 workers in BC lost their lives as a result of workplace hazards. Eight of those workers were engaged in the administration of public services. While the City has always recognized the Day of Mourning, this year the event will be close to the heart of all City employees. On March 31, 2016, Jody Taylor, an arborist for Vancouver Park Board, died as a result of a workplace accident.

WorkSafeBC, the BC Federation of Labour and the Business Council of BC are coordinating a formal memorial service on Thursday, April 28 at 10:30 am at the Vancouver Convention Centre (1055 Canada Place).

I hope that you will be able to join members of our Corporate Management Team and Union officials in attending this event. For those unable to attend, we encourage you to observe a minute of silence at 11:00 am on April 28.

Additional information regarding this year’s event is available via the following link: [http://www.worksafebc.com/news_room/campaigns/day_of_mourning/default.asp](http://www.worksafebc.com/news_room/campaigns/day_of_mourning/default.asp)

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