Greetings Mayor and Council,

Late yesterday, we learned that the Port of Vancouver, the producer of the July 1 festivities at Canada Place, will be issuing an announcement this morning confirming the cancellation of the parade portion of the event for 2018. We understand the decision was made in the basis of increasing production costs and a desire to focus resources on the festival and fireworks elements of the event.

The Port has expressed appreciation for the City's ongoing partnership in the production of their Canada Day festivities and we will continue to work closely with them to support this event.

The announcement will be released to the media at 10am this morning. Pending that release, the above information remains confidential.

If you have any questions at this time, please don’t hesitate to contact Jerry Dobrovolny or me.

Best,
Paul