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Dear Mayor and Council,

The purpose of this e-mail is to:

1. provide you with an update on the Remembrance Day Service at Victory Square,
2. announce the establishment of a special bursary in memory of Cameron Cathcart, and
3. provide information about other Remembrance Day Services in Vancouver and wreath laying duties by members of Council.

1) **Remembrance Day Service at Victory Square – November 11**

A virtual Remembrance Day service is planned for Victory Square on Thursday, November 11, 2021. The ceremony will be streamed online for the public to watch from home starting at 10:30 am. The livestream link will be available to the public prior to the event beginning. Further event details such as the itinerary and media access will be provided on November 9 via a City released Information Bulletin, as well as online at vancouver.ca.

While the BC Centre for Disease Control's restriction on outdoor gatherings are more relaxed than last year, only official wreaths will be placed at Victory Square by a limited number of dignitaries invited to attend in person. This decision was made in order to protect the elderly and health compromised individuals participating in the commemoration ceremony.

Mayor Kennedy Stewart will place the official wreath on behalf of the City and, as per protocol, will be accompanied by the Fire Chief, Karen Fry and Vancouver Police Deputy Chief, Fiona Wilson. Pre-ordered recognized wreaths will be placed prior to the start of the ceremony by the Vancouver Poppy Fund, on behalf of the organizations. This is due to the challenge of managing the large number of individuals who place those wreaths at the Cenotaph. Once the service is over and the fencing around the Cenotaph is removed, members of the public can place their own wreaths after 4 pm.

Councillors are encouraged to watch the proceedings online to experience the full ceremony; however, as a member of Council you can attend the ceremony in person if you wish. It should be noted that you will not see the choir or bands at Victory Square. The Vancouver Bach Youth Choir, Sarabande, and the Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services band will be located at HMCS Discovery at Stanley Park, and their performances will be part of the seamless online broadcast production. Councillors in attendance at Victory Square will be seated on the benches surrounding the south side of the Cenotaphs and no tenting is available.

For those members of Council still wishing to attend in person, attached is an invitation to the ceremony and a parking pass for your vehicle. Please RSVP to Ellen Vaillancourt (ellen.vaillancourt@vancouver.ca) to confirm your attendance.

2) **Cameron Cathcart Youth Poem of Remembrance Award**

As you know, this year's ceremony will feel different given the recent passing of long-time Master of Ceremonies, Cam Cathcart. Jim Stanton is taking over the emcee role this year and, from all accounts, will do a great job. In memory of Cam's long-term service to this ceremony, I am pleased to advise that a bursary has been established in Cam's name through a donation made to the BC Regimental Association Charitable Trust. The bursary will be entitled the Cameron Cathcart Youth Poem of Remembrance Award. The amount of \$250 will be presented to the youth poet selected each year to read an original poem at the Remembrance Day Ceremony. Cam established this tradition in 2006 and since then a Vancouver youth has been invited to read an original poem at the ceremony. The bursary will be presented at this year's ceremony for the first time.

3) **Other Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Vancouver – November 8 and 11**

Below please find information about other ceremonies taking place in Vancouver. Council member assignments to place the City's wreath at the below ceremonies are based on the Deputy Mayor roster.

National Aboriginal Veterans Day – November 8, 2021

Where:	When:	Assignment to Place a City Wreath
Victory Square 200 West Hastings	10:00 am	Mayor Kennedy Stewart

Remembrance Day Ceremonies – November 11, 2021

Where:	When:	Assignment to Place a City Wreath
Victory Square 200 West Hastings	10:30 am	Mayor Kennedy Stewart
Chinatown Memorial Keefer at Columbia streets	12:00 pm	Mayor Kennedy Stewart
Memorial South Park Cenotaph 41st Avenue and Windsor Street	No public ceremony	
Japanese Canadian War Memorial Stanley Park	10:40 am	Councillor Adriane Carr
Grandview Park 1200 block of Commercial Drive	No public ceremony	
Royal Vancouver Yacht Club 3811 Point Grey Road (ceremony can be viewed from Hastings Mill Park)	10:30 am	Councillor Melissa De Genova

Should you have any questions, please contact Lesley Matthews, Chief External Relations and Protocol at Lesley.Matthews@vancouver.ca.

Best,
Paul

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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.



**THE 2021 VANCOUVER
REMEMBRANCE DAY COMMITTEE**

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**REMEMBRANCE
DAY SERVICE**

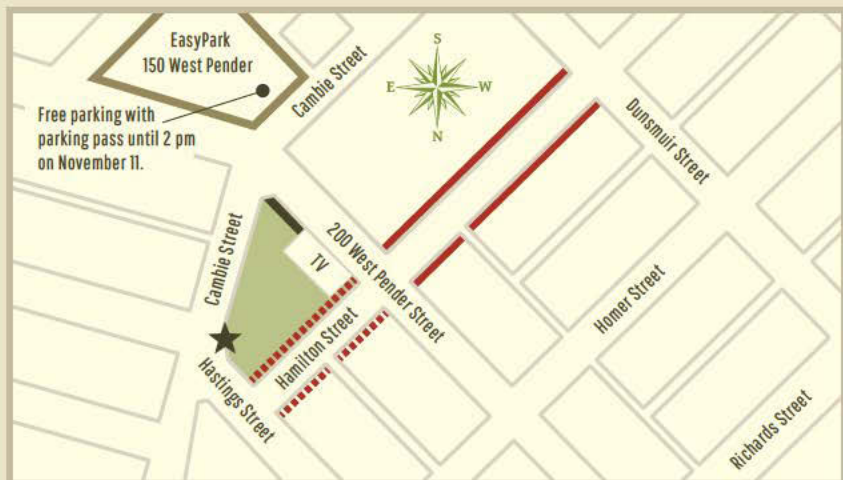
at the

**CENOTAPH IN VICTORY SQUARE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021 AT 10:30 AM**

Please arrive at 10:15 am



THE 2021 VANCOUVER REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY



Ceremony Entrance



Official Party drop off zone until 10 am. No parking.



Official Party Parking

2021 REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

OFFICIAL PARKING PERMIT



FOLD AND PLACE ON DASHBOARD WITH PERMIT FACING OUTWARDS



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