WHEREAS Climate change is the biggest environmental threat facing our planet;
AND WHEREAS Vancouver aims to become the greenest city in the world by 2020, in part by building on our recognized leadership in climate protection by further reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 33% below 1990 levels;
AND WHEREAS The City of Vancouver recognizes that simple actions taken by many can reduce greenhouse gas emissions, with many of these changes saving money and reducing energy consumption for the city;
AND WHEREAS The City of Vancouver wishes to join all citizens of this city and around the world to call for increased action by individuals, businesses, and governments on climate change;
AND WHEREAS Participating in Earth Hour, a World Wildlife Fund coordinated global lights-out event, is a simple way to show that citizens, businesses and governments want to be part of the solution;
AND WHEREAS Participating in Earth Hour sends a powerful message to others that inaction on climate change is no longer acceptable;
AND WHEREAS The City of Vancouver will join thousands of cities in over 152 countries across the world in celebrating WWF’s Earth Hour:
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gregor Robertson, Mayor of the City of Vancouver, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Saturday, March 23rd, 2013, between 8:30 to 9:30 pm as "EARTH HOUR 2013" in the City of Vancouver.

Gregor Robertson
MAYOR