From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

To: Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Hagerman, Shannon GCPE:EX

Cc: <u>Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX</u>; <u>Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX</u>; <u>Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX</u>

Subject: CHW - Request for Regional Plaque Scheduled Dates

Date: Thursday, July 14, 2016 2:27:13 PM

## Hi Jay, Shannon:

Government approved up to 15 Regional Apology Commemoration Plaques on July 11th.

At the July 5th CCST Commemorations Sub briefing, MTW directed me to work toward the target unveiling dates for all but Kelowna below, but qualified that MO and GCPE would work to finalize the scheduled dates for me.

Barkerville Chinatown: s.13,s.16

Kelowna Chinese Cemetery;s.13,s.16

#### s.13,s.16

Cumberland Chinese Cemetery: s.13,s.16

Ashcroft Chinese Cemetery:s.13,s.16

Nicole Dailly and I are finalizing shared cost agreements with dates and the communities are organizing purchases and in several weeks, invitations.

Pls include your reply to both Nicole Dailly and myself as \$5.22

## Thx, Tom

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From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
To: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Cc: <u>Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX</u>; <u>Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX</u>

Subject: RE: Plaque Unveilings

Date: Thursday, October 6, 2016 4:23:56 PM

Hi Dean, can you pls approve any first suggestion to GCPE, based on following info:

- -Barkerville can go first, s.13,s.16
- -Ashcroft s.13,s.16
- -I want to try Shui in Kelowna for Nov 22 as he told me last two weeks in November, but he needs Layout approval asap. And he was not available on cell. s.13,s.16

s.22

Ok to proceed as above? – All communities know nothing is final until you, GCPE and MO confirm.

Great, it's happening!!!!!

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From: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX Sent: Thursday, October 6, 2016 4:00 PM

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Subject: FW: Plaque Unveilings

Request to focus on dates below.

Shawna – do you want to update EP before I review?

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Sent: Thursday, October 6, 2016 3:56 PM

To: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX Subject: RE: Plaque Unveilings

May is suggest the following: s.13,s.16

From: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX Sent: Thursday, October 6, 2016 3:50 PM

To: Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Cc: Roberts, Clark MIT:EX; Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX; Faddegon, Jessica MIT:EX; Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Subject: RE: Plaque Unveilings

## Thank you Jay!

From: Denney, Jay MIT:EX

Sent: Thursday, October 6, 2016 3:50 PM

To: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Cc: Roberts, Clark MIT:EX; Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX; Faddegon, Jessica MIT:EX; Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Subject: Plaque Unveilings

We can proceed at looking for dates for Barkerville, Ashcroft, Cumberland, Kelowna. Earliest would be November 17th. Can I leave it to program staff to confer with each community and get a list of dates that would work for each betweer s.13,s.16 I will canvas the local MLAs's for availability as well and find dates that work for all.

Sent from my BlackBerry - the most secure mobile device - via the TELUS Network

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
To: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

Cc: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Pratt, Andrew GCPE:EX
Subject: Re: Kelowna Apology Commemoration
Date: Thursday, October 6, 2016 5:06:39 PM

Hi, Shui says Kelowna can do Nov 22 assuming he gets Layout approval soon.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 6, 2016, at 4:56 PM, Graham, Tom J MIT:EX < Tom. Graham@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Lauren, in regard to the attached Draft Layout for Kelowna, I believe Andrew approved the look and font as per attached email and deferred to you regarding the text which you had approved.

Accordingly, I feel this is ready for one last MIT GCPE review before requesting MO approval.

Thx, Tom

<Draft Kelowna Apology Marker Layout.pdf>

<mime-attachment>

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Cc: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

Subject: Apology Commemorations - The First Four and their Suggested Unveiling Dates!

Date: Friday, October 7, 2016 11:28:42 AM

## Hi Shawna, the communities are suggesting these dates:

- Barkerville s.13,s.16
- Kelowna Nov 22 assuming Layout Approval asap.
- Cumberland s.13,s.16
- Ashcroft s.13,s.16

The communities, Nicole and I are looking forward to assisting you on your EP!

## Happy Turkey weekend!

## Tom

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 From:
 Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

 To:
 Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

 Cc:
 Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Subject: FW: fyi and for your action from dm

Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 4:19:26 PM

Hi Dean, pls let me know if this works.

If so, I will check in with Shawna re: her request for comments on the EP tomorrow.

I will assume the proposed dates, and confirm with Shawna if suggested detailed travel arrangements need to be integrated into the EP given the importance of logistics/mobility.

# Barkerville (Proposed s.13,s.16

#### Air:

- -YVR to Quesnel 1 hr OR
- -YVR to PG 1 hr

Road: - transportation arranged by Barkerville

Quesnel to Barkerville 1 hr OR

PG to Barkerville 2 hr

**Walk**: - Barkerville staff will drop Minister within a few meters and move vehicle away after drop off

-Any potential snow will be ploughed and terrain is flat

## Kelowna (Proposed Nov 22)

Air - YVR to Kelowna – 45 minutes

Road - Cemetery from airport – 25 minutes

Walk – Drop off within a few meters of site on flat terrain

## Cumberland (Proposed s.13,s.16

Air -YVR to Comox 1 hour

Road -Airport to Cemetery 25 minutes

Walk -5 meters from parking to unveiling site which is slightly sloped but not hazardous with assistance.

## Ashcroft (Proposed date s.13,s.16

Air – Kamloops from YVR approx. 1 hr.

Road – Kamloops Airport to Ashcroft Cemetery approx. 1.5 hr.

Walk – sloped walk of 60 meters requiring assistance, especially if there is snow on the ground

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From: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 10:28 AM
To: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX; Seeley, Mark MIT:EX
Subject: Fwd: fyi and for your action from dm

Hi. I will be back in the office tomorrow to discuss.

D

----- Forwarded message -----

From: "Roberts, Clark MIT:EX" < Clark.Roberts@gov.bc.ca>

Date: 11 Oct 2016 10:16

Subject: Hi

To: "Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX" < Pam.Shatzko@gov.bc.ca >, "Denney, Jay MIT:EX"

<<u>Jay.Denney@gov.bc.ca</u>>,"Faddegon, Jessica MIT:EX" <<u>Jessica.Faddegon@gov.bc.ca</u>>,"Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX"

<Dean.Sekyer@gov.bc.ca>,"Hammond, James MIT:EX" <James.Hammond@gov.bc.ca>

Cc:

I had a chance to speak with the minister this week who provided the following instructions.

With respect to the legacy regional plaques, she would really like to attend, if it is not difficult to get to the site. Could we please prepare a list of the plaques, with a description of how a person would have to get to where the plaque is being placed, including flights as well as the length and difficulty of drive involved.

The multicultural grants can proceed on schedule. s.13 s.13

The anti-racism grants are approved.

The export navigator regional announcements can proceed with a local announcement, with a quote from the minister.

The SRA Annual Report can be posted.

Let me know if you have any questions, thanks!

Clark

Clark M. Roberts

## Falk-Varcoe, Kyle C MIT:EX

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 16, 2016 10:15 AM **To:** Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Subject: FW: Kelowna Apology Plaque - Status Update and Request

Hi Shawna, can you pls phone me today regarding Shui in Kelowna's request for assistance of program staff to eventually invite folks to the unveiling event on his behalf.

I will do nothing in that regard until first, I have consulted with GCPE MIT; and perhaps secondly, MO confirms a date.

Status - I am full out on this one because although the MO has not confirmed, MO appears to want the monument ready for \$\frac{s}.13, \text{s}.1\$ but have stated they cannot unveil on that particular day, leaving one to believe they may request a date as early as \$\frac{s}.13, \text{s}.16\$ to be on the safe side.

s.13

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From: Shui Lee [mailto: s.22

Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 10:10 PM

To: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Subject: Re: Kelowna Apology Plague - Status Update and Request

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Thank you for your help Shui

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX < Tom.Graham@gov.bc.ca >

**Sent:** November 15, 2016 12:53:03 PM

To: 'dgatzke@kelowna.ca'; s.22 ; 'Shui Lee'; 'info@mortimersmonuments.com'

Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Subject: Kelowna Apology Plaque - Status Update and Request

Hi David (Cemetery), Doug (Concrete), Kerry (Mortimers Monuments), Shui (Kelowna Monument Proponent):

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In light of the deadline, I request that you notify myself and Shui immediately if there is any doubt in regard to your role OR any change in status that you feel could delay this implementation date.

I also request that each of you phone me at 250 356-1705 or receive my call at your earliest convenience.

#### Status update as follows:

- Monument Stone (Kerry) Kerry at Mortimers told me this morning that the Monument stone will be complete and ready in Victoria in a day or two.
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  ensure the concrete is poured and a foundation ready for monument installation. I don't have a date but
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  Doug as well.
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Thank you for your help Shui

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Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

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To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Cc: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; "Shui Lee"

Subject: FW: Kelowna Apology Plaque - Status Update and Request

Date: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 2:10:29 PM

Hi Shawna, below is forwarded email from Shui re: attendees.

Nicole and I can do the work, as per MO's suggestion below, s.13 s.13

Jay from today: "I've just spoken with him [Shui] and he has advised that Saturday December 3rd would work for him. MTW will re-arrange her schedule to attend. Please engage with him to develop the invites for the local community.

Adding GCPE so they are aware. Please begin preparing an invite list, we should aim to get the first batch out on Friday afternoon. We will lock down a time and advise within the next day. Midmorning is the range."

Nicole and I look forward to helping out in any way and are very excited about our first unveiling - just concerned that it is in 16 days!!

Talk on telephone soon!

Tom

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## Falk-Varcoe, Kyle C MIT:EX

From: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 3:17 PM

**To:** Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX **Subject:** RE: Location of Kelowna Chinese Cemetery

He sure is.

From: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 3:12 PM
To: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
Subject: RE: Location of Kelowna Chinese Cemetery

Yes, this is important info. Thanks!

One more thing – Shui is still a LIAC member, yes?

From: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 3:10 PM

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX Subject: RE: Location of Kelowna Chinese Cemetery

Hi Shawna,

I just spoke with the Cemetery, and I am correct that it is the Pioneer section.

They said if it was referred to as the Chinese Cemetery, you would have a lot of confused people.

They recommend that it be referred to as the 'Pioneer Section of the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery'.

Hope this helps.

Nicole.

From: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 2:03 PM
To: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
Subject: RE: Location of Kelowna Chinese Cemetery

Would you please? Thanks Nicole!

From: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 2:03 PM

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX Subject: RE: Location of Kelowna Chinese Cemetery

Hi Shawna,

The Chinese Cemetery is located in the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery.

I don't believe it is actually referred to as the 'Chinese Cemetery' though.

When I spoke to someone at the cemetery a few months ago, they said it is in the 'Pioneer' section. I can confirm this for you?

Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery 1991 Bernard Avenue Kelowna, BC V1Y 9V7 kmpc@kelowna.ca phone: 250 862-5518 http://www.kelowna.ca/cm/page270.aspx

## Nicole.

## NICOLE DAILLY

Program Advisor – Corporate Initiatives Ministry of International Trade

Mobile: 250 217-5068

From: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 1:33 PM To: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX; Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX Subject: Location of Kelowna Chinese Cemetery

Can you please provide an address? Not sure where this is located in Kelowna and we have to acknowledge the local FN in the speech. Thanks!

## Shawna Cadieux

Ministry of International Trade and Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism (GCPE) 1-250-746-7958 (office) 250-889-6736 (cell)



From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

To: Yung, Philip MIT:EX; Carol Lee; David Choi; David Lai; Diana Lam; Don Bain; Fred Kwok; George Ing; Henry

Tom; Henry Yu; Howard Grant; Imogene Lim; Ing, Jun; Jan Walls; Kenneth Tung; King Wan; Lily Chow; Queenie

Choo; Shui Lee; Thomas Chan; Tung Chan; William Ma; Zaixin Ma

Cc: "Prof. Henry Yu"; "David Choi"; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Tang, Lynne MIT:EX; Dailly,

Nicole MIT:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Denney, Jay

MIT:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Subject: Kelowna Apology Monument Unveiling Event December 3, 2016

Date: Thursday, November 24, 2016 4:52:28 PM

Good afternoon LIAC Members,

We are pleased to give you a heads up on the upcoming Kelowna Regional Apology Monument Unveiling to be held in <u>the morning (between 9:30 am and 11:30 am) of Saturday, December 3, 2016 at the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery in Kelowna, BC.</u>

Please mark this on your calendar.

The Kelowna Freemasons and Dart Coon Club will be hosting this event.

A very special thanks to our very own Mr. Shui Lee, LIAC Member and President of this time honoured association.

Should you have any questions, please contact Tom Graham or Nicole Dailly at 250 356-1705 OR 250 217-5068.

Kind Regards.

## Tom

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Shawna GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Young, Emily

Re: Kelowna Apology Monument Unveiling Event December 3, 2016 Subject:

Thursday, November 24, 2016 6:36:24 PM Date:

Thanks, Tom for the information. Congratulations to Shui Lee and the Kelowna Chinese Community.

李瑞栋洪门主委:恭喜贺喜,基隆拿华裔纪念碑功德完满!

## Lily,**周蔡小珊**敬贺。

----Original Message----

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2016 4:52 PM

To: Yung, Philip MIT:EX; Carol Lee; David Choi; David Lai; Diana Lam; Don Bain; Fred Kwok; George Ing; Henry Tom; Henry Yu; Howard Grant; Imogene Lim; Ing, Jun; Jan Walls; Kenneth Tung; King Wan; Lily Chow; Queenie Choo; Shui Lee; Thomas Chan; Tung Chan; William Ma; Zaixin Ma Cc: 'Prof. Henry Yu'; 'David Choi'; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Tang, Lynne MIT:EX; Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Denney, Jay

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 From:
 Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

 To:
 Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

 Cc:
 Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Subject: Fwd: Kelowna Memorial park cemetery
Date: Thursday, November 24, 2016 7:49:00 PM

Dean, FYI - I asked Shui to be exhaustive in inviting Japanese Canadians who also share their interred at the same site - Pioneer Cemetery - at Kelowna Cemetery.

I hope you are ok that the last person associated with the Japanese associations in Kelowna, Ms. Rita Cips supports Shui completely as per email below and is not working to invite anyone from that community.

I know you want this to be inclusive and we certainly have worked towards this.

Thx, Tom

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Graham, Tom J MIT:EX" < Tom.Graham@gov.bc.ca>

Date: November 24, 2016 at 7:40:07 PM PST

To: \$.22 , "Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX"

<Nicole.Dailly@gov.bc.ca>, "Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX"

< Shawna.1.Cadieux@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Fwd: Kelowna Memorial park cemetery

Thx Shui for the follow up. Let's chat tomorrow.

Better to err on the side of inclusion but it is looking like we are close to exhausting due diligence efforts to invite folks from the Japanese associations.

Thx again!

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Shui Lecs.22

**Date:** November 24, 2016 at 7:25:17 PM PST

To: "Graham, Tom J MIT:EX" < tom.graham@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Fw: Kelowna Memorial park cemetery

From: Shui Lee s.22  Sent: November 24, 2016 1:10 PM  To: Ria  Subject: Re: Kelowna Memorial park cemetery	
Dear Mrs Ria Cips thank you for quick reply and the Japanese society support have a nice day Shui	,
Sent from my iPhone	
On Nov 24, 2016, at 12:25 PM, Ria **.22 wrote	:
Hi,	
Thank you for your email and thank you for your hard work to get this done.	
As far as I know, we don't have any official Japanese association in Kelowna.	
Thanks,	
Ria	
From: Shui Lee . s.22  Sent: November 24, 2016 11:47 AM  To: Ria Cips	

Subject: Kelowna Memorial park cemetery

Dear. Mrs Ria Cips how are you? Sorry to bother the memorial tombstone has competed opening ceremony Dec, 3 2016 now we need you support we would like to asked the Kelowna Japanese society agree let use put the memorial in the Kelowna Memorial park cemetery can you please let me know there are other Japanese society in Kelowna

This memorial for the community meant so much deeply will live on forever in our heart and alway for the next generation Please let me know ASAP Sincerely The Chinese Freemason Kelowna chairman Shui Lee

Sent from my iPhone

## Falk-Varcoe, Kyle C MIT:EX

From: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Sent: Friday, November 25, 2016 3:12 PM

To: Hardy, Kathryn MIT:EX

Subject: FW: Kelowna Apology Monument Unveiling Event December 3, 2016

FYI

From: s.22 On Behalf Of Prof. Henry Yu

Sent: Friday, November 25, 2016 11:19 AM

To: Lily Chow

Cc: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX; Yung, Philip MIT:EX; Carol Lee; David Choi; David Lai; Diana Lam; Don Bain; Fred Kwok; George Ing; Henry Tom; Howard Grant; Imogene Lim; Ing, Jun; Jan Walls; Kenneth Tung; King Wan; Queenie Choo; Shui Lee; Thomas Chan; Tung Chan; William Ma; Zaixin Ma; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Tang, Lynne MIT:EX; Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Subject: Re: Kelowna Apology Monument Unveiling Event December 3, 2016

Congratulations, Shui, and everyone in Kelowna who was involved in this effort. I'm sorry to say that I will be in Hong Kong on Dec. 3 and so will miss the event, but will be celebrating with you in spirit.

Best, Henry

Prof. Henry Yu 余全毅 Associate Professor, Dept. of History, UBC 1297-1873 East Mall Vancouver, B.C. V6T 1Z1

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On Thu, Nov 24, 2016 at 6:36 PM, Lily Chow \$.22 · wrote: Thanks, Tom for the information. Congratulations to Shui Lee and the Kelowna Chinese Community.

李瑞栋洪门主委:恭喜贺喜,基隆拿华裔纪念碑功德完满!

## Lily, 周蔡小珊敬贺。

----Original Message----

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2016 4:52 PM

To: Yung, Philip MIT:EX; Carol Lee; David Choi; David Lai; Diana Lam; Don Bain; Fred Kwok; George Ing; Henry Tom; Henry Yu; Howard Grant; Imogene Lim; Ing, Jun; Jan Walls; Kenneth Tung; King Wan; Lily Chow; Queenie Choo; Shui Lee; Thomas Chan; Tung Chan; William Ma; Zaixin Ma Cc: 'Prof. Henry Yu'; 'David Choi'; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Tang, Lynne MIT:EX; Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Subject: Kelowna Apology Monument Unveiling Event December 3, 2016

Good afternoon LIAC Members,

We are pleased to give you a heads up on the upcoming Kelowna Regional Apology Monument Unveiling to be held in the morning (between 9:30 am and 11:30 am) of Saturday, December 3, 2016 at the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery in Kelowna, BC.

Please mark this on your calendar.

The Kelowna Freemasons and Dart Coon Club will be hosting this event.

A very special thanks to our very own Mr. Shui Lee, LIAC Member and President of this time honoured association.

Should you have any questions, please contact Tom Graham or Nicole Dailly at 250 356-1705 OR 250 217-5068.

Kind Regards.

Tom

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## Falk-Varcoe, Kyle C MIT:EX

From: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 11:54 AM

**To:** Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

**Subject:** RE: Approved Nov 28 by MO Kelowna Invite List (Nov 25).xlsx **Attachments:** Approved Nov 28 by MO Kelowna Invite List (Nov 25).xlsx

Hi Tom,

Attached is the revised invitee list with the West Kelowna Mayor and Council included, s.22

s.22 (recommended by Shui).

Once approved by you, I will forward to Shawna and Lauren.

Thank you, Nicole.

## NICOLE DAILLY

Program Advisor – Corporate Initiatives

Ministry of International Trade

Mobile: 250 217-5068

From: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 11:05 AM

To: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX

Subject: Approved Nov 28 by MO Kelowna Invite List (Nov 25).xlsx

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

To: <u>Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX</u>; <u>Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX</u>

Cc: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Shui Lee
Subject: Kelowna West Bank Blessing

Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2016 2:32:47 PM

## Hi Shawna, Lauren:

Dean is good if Shui proceeds as he has requested to arrange a blessing from Chief Roxanne Lindley of the Westbank First Nation.

## Tom

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From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Subject: Status Update - Shui in Kelowna

Date: Thursday, December 1, 2016 10:18:48 AM

Hi Shawna, I just spoke to Shui at 10am today who shares status on these 3 items with us, including FN blessings:

- 1) Chinese Media The community is speaking to Ming Tao about the event (David and Shui and Ken Tung).
- 2) Chinese Dancers Mar Jok School children dragon dancers will perform after the unveiling event and the Freemasons are coordinating this. They feel GCPE needs to be notified but think because it is afterwards and there item, as is the roast pig they are paying for and not including in the itinerary, that you don't need to work with them in regard to it as an itinerary item. Of course they will work with you upon your request if you think this is best. I will try to snap pictures of this if I am around.
- West Bank FN Blessings Shui just went in person to the West Bank FN offices this morning before 10am and they support him and his event; will try to find a bestow'er of blessings for him and his event; s.16
  - s.16 So sorry, Dean's advice was best, but Shui still still wants to try. I will keep you apprised. Shui knows you want certitude for the itinerary but he can't provide it.....yet... I hope. ©

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From: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

To: Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Cc: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Subject: Re: REQUEST FROM MINISTER WAT: Kelowna Date: Friday, December 2, 2016 8:45:30 AM

I think Shui could bring incense from Dart Coon. But we will confirm.

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----- Original Message -----

Subject: REQUEST FROM MINISTER WAT: Kelowna

From: "Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX" < Gillian.Rhodes@gov.bc.ca>

Date: 2 Dec 2016 8:14 am

To: "Young, Emily GCPE:EX" < Emily. Young@gov.bc.ca>

Hi Emily.

The Minister wrote late last night, asking for these items to be incorporated into the planning for the Kelowna event. Dean, I'm guessing that MTW would bring the incense she's referencing?

Gillian Rhodes

Communications Director

Ministry of International Trade & Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism

Mobile: 250-888-1462

-----Original Message-----From: Wat, Teresa MIT:EX

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2016 3:18 AM

To: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Cc: Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX

Subject: Kelowna

Hi Dean,

In order to respect the Chinese culture for the monument unveiling ceremony on Saturday, both Minister Letnick and I should offer incense at 10:05 before the ceremony begins. This is the culturally sensitive thing to do to pay proper respect before we begin the ceremony. This will be the first time that two BC ministers present incense at a Chinese Canadian cemetery.

Please ask Shui to let staff know which spot in the cemetery to offer the incense.

We should also provide hot drinks at the ceremony as this takes place outdoor in the cold.

Thanks.

From: Graham, Tom | MIT:EX

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Sekver, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Mortimer,

David JTST:EX; Waight, Evan T CSCD:EX; "Shui Lee"

Subject: Kelowna Unveiling - Refined Itinerary Items
Date: Friday, December 2, 2016 10:37:03 AM

#### Emily, Shawna:

Here is the latest more detailed status from Shui at 10am, which may raise some small itinerary concerns, as follows.

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- 2) Hot Drinks Shui is taking care of this for us.
- 3) Incense and Complementary Pig, Chicken and fruit Shui detailed his story which is consistent with what he shared before. Yes, he will work with the Minister to perform the "incense ceremony" at 10:05am using his or MTW's incense. He will have the Pig and other food items on display, but not ready to eat (carved) because this "offering" must be presented, but not necessarily eaten, in this sequence with reference to the incense. After the "unveiling ceremony", the Pig can be carved and eaten. Accordingly, I think the itinerary still holds because folks don't pause to carve and eat a pig, it is on display only before the incense and unveiling ceremony. The place for "incense ceremony" is the Pioneer Section of the cemetery which is small enough to allow the Minister to identify Shui immediately who will provide direction.
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I am scheduled to arrive at 10am at Pioneer Section, Kelowna Cemetery. Shui feels this works in regard to all responsibilities and has advised this time.

I have cc'ed Shui, inviting comment, to ensure I have this right and that he has the opportunity to correct me.

Thx, Tom

Tom Graham
Director, Corporate Initiatives

From: Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX
To: Yung, Philip MIT:EX

Subject: Fwd: FW: PHOTOS: Chinese Canadian Monument Event

Date: Saturday, December 3, 2016 6:24:17 PM

## Hi Philip.

Can you please forward to LIAC members (cc me tom lynne and clark) and please emphasize our immense gratitude to Mr. Shui Lee for his leadership and commitment to seeing this important milestone come to reality. Thanks to Tom for all his work on this. Only 14 more to go!!!

Thx

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----- Original Message -----

Subject: FW: PHOTOS: Chinese Canadian Monument Event

From: "Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX" <Lauren.Mulholland@gov.bc.ca>

Date: 3 Dec 2016 6:09 pm

To: "Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX" <Dean.Sekyer@gov.bc.ca>,"Graham, Tom J MIT:EX" <Tom.Graham@gov.bc.ca>,"Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX" <Nicole.Dailly@gov.bc.ca> Please forward photo link from today's event to stakeholders. Great event folks!

## https://flic.kr/p/PQQmxZ

Lauren

From: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

Sent: Saturday, December 3, 2016 6:08 PM

To: Wat, Teresa MIT:EX

Cc: Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Jones, Angela MIT:EX; Roberts, Clark MIT:EX; Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX; Sekyer,

Dean MIT:EX; GCPE Communications - International Trade Subject: PHOTOS: Chinese Canadian Monument Event

Minister, please see the photos from today's event now on Flickr.

#### https://flic.kr/p/PQQmxZ

From: McLean, Matt GCPE:EX

Sent: Saturday, December 3, 2016 5:24 PM

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

Cc: Young, Emily GCPE:EX; GCPE Newsroom Subject: Chinese Canadian Memorial photos

Hi folks,

The contractor sent through some photos from the Kelowna Chinese Canadian memorial event today.

Here is the first of 23 photos in the set. There are 5 extra photos that are currently private as I am awaiting confirmation on consent forms for the minors in the photos.

https://flic.kr/p/PQQmxZ

Please share the photos with MO and stakeholders.
Thanks,
Matt McLean

From: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

To: Young, Emily GCPE:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX
Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; "Shui Lee"

Subject: RE: Kelowna Unveiling - Refined Itinerary Items
Date: Friday, December 2, 2016 11:10:16 AM

Importance: High

Hi Emily and Shawna:

Shui and Tom have confirmed that the event will begin at 1030am as previously arranged starting with:

- the incense ceremony;
- s.16
- Lion Dance and
- then the speeches.

Hope this makes sense.

Thank you to Emily, Shawna, Tom and Shui for doing such a great job at pulling this together!

From: Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2016 10:50 AM

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX;

'Shui Lee'

Subject: RE: Kelowna Unveiling - Refined Itinerary Items

Importance: High

Hey folks,

See my notes below in **RED** 

Best regards,

Emily Young
Event Coordinator, Event Services
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From: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2016 10:41 AM

To: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX;

'Shui Lee'

Subject: RE: Kelowna Unveiling - Refined Itinerary Items

This is Emily's most recent itinerary.

From: Graham, Tom J MIT:EX

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2016 10:37 AM

To: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Cc: Dailly, Nicole MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX; Mortimer, David JTST:EX; Waight, Evan T CSCD:EX; 'Shui Lee'
Subject: Kelowna Unveiling - Refined Itinerary Items

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- NOT A PROBLEM IF THIS IS GOING TO HAPPEN AT 10:30, HOWEVER I WILL NEED TO UPDATE THE ITINERARY AS THIS IMPACTS THE TIMING OF THE EVENT.

I am scheduled to arrive at 10am at Pioneer Section, Kelowna Cemetery. Shui feels this works in regard to all responsibilities and has advised this time. IF POSSIBLE TOM, COULD YOU ARRIVE SLIGHTLY EARLIER? IF THINGS ARE TO STAR AT 10:05 I THINK IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE TO ARRIVE EARLIER... IF POSSIBLE.

I have cc'ed Shui, inviting comment, to ensure I have this right and that he has the opportunity to correct me.

# Thx, Tom

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From: Denney, Jay MIT:EX
To: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

Cc: Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Subject: Re: QUESTION: Dec 3rd event
Date: Friday, December 2, 2016 11:45:08 AM

Attachments: image001.png

1030 am is confirmed for start time. Incense will be the first item, followed by FN blessing.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the TELUS network.

From: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX Sent: Friday, December 2, 2016 11:35 AM

To: Denney, Jay MIT:EX

Cc: Rhodes, Gillian GCPE:EX; Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX

Subject: QUESTION: Dec 3rd event

Jay, confirming that the event in Kelowna will begin at 1030am.

We propose the event go forward in this order:

- s.16
- The incense ceremony
- Lion Dance and
- the speeches.

Once we sort this out, an updated itinerary will be sent around this afternoon. Emily has another event today.

Please advise if you have any concerns.

#### Lauren Mulholland

**Communications Manager** 

**Government Communications and Public Engagement** 

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Off: 250 356-0613 Cell: 250 889-3922



From: <u>Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX</u>
To: <u>Wat, Teresa MIT:EX</u>

Cc: Denney, Jay MIT:EX; Jones, Angela MIT:EX; Tan, Alyson MIT:EX; Roberts, Clark MIT:EX; Shatzko, Pam J

MIT:EX; Sekyer, Dean MIT:EX; Graham, Tom J MIT:EX; Young, Emily GCPE:EX

Subject: UPDATED: Kelowna Commemorative Monument materials

Date: Friday, December 2, 2016 4:02:50 PM

Attachments: 2016MIT0051-002583.pdf

KM Legacy Project - Kelowna Commemorative Monuments Dec 3 2016 FINAL.docx

QA Kelowna Commemorative Monuments December 3 2016 FINAL.docx

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SN MTW Kelowna Commemorative Monument Dec 3 2016 FINALrvd.docx SN NL Emcee Kelowna Commemorative Monument Dec 3 2016 FINALrvd.docx

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Importance: High

Minister, I'm resending materials to reflect a revised itinerary. There are a few changes to the SN – both yours and MNL as a consequence.

The news release is also attached – embargoed until tomorrow at 1045am.

Updated itinerary to reflect addition of incense and dragon dance. s.16

Emcee speaking notes: new itinerary and additional bullets as outlined s.16 s.16

New bullets to intro and thank Dragon Dancers

MTW speaking notes: new itinerary and additional bullets as outlined:

- New bullet for Dragon dance (thanks)
- New bullets to acknowledge special people:
  - Colin Basran, Mayor of the City of Kelowna
  - o James Baker, Mayor, District of Lake Country
  - o John Lee, son of Joyce and the late Ben Lee.

Kind regards, Lauren

From: Cadieux, Shawna GCPE:EX Sent: Friday, December 2, 2016 3:52 PM

To: Mulholland, Lauren GCPE:EX

**Subject:** Kelowna Commemorative Monument materials

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## Shawna Cadieux

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# **NEWS RELEASE**

For Immediate Release 2016MIT0051-002583 Dec. 3, 2016

Ministry of International Trade and Ministry Responsible for the Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism

#### Commemorative monument honours Chinese-Canadian pioneers

KELOWNA – A commemorative monument unveiled today in Kelowna recognizes the contributions of Chinese-Canadians to B.C.'s rich cultural, historical and economic mosaic.

A large granite monument has been installed within the pioneer section of the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery to reflect the 2014 apology delivered on behalf of the B.C. legislative assembly to Chinese-Canadians for historical wrongs committed by past provincial governments.

The monument will also serve as a permanent reminder of the racism, discrimination and hardships faced by Chinese-Canadian pioneers who lived and worked in the area during the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Many pioneers also worked in Kelowna's agriculture industry on farms and in orchards, and some of their descendants still live there.

The monument is the first in a series of up to 15 markers – interpretive signs, plaques and monuments – that will be established in communities throughout British Columbia in coming months. Locations were recommended by the provincial Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council (LIAC), which provides advice to government on B.C.-Chinese legacy projects. Government is providing \$100,000 in Chinese legacy funding for the provincial monuments project.

As one of several provincial Chinese legacy projects completed or currently underway, the commemorative monuments project resulted from a report on the Chinese historical wrongs consultations. The report includes a recommendation for one or more regional plaques or monuments to be created to commemorate the positive contributions of Chinese-Canadians to B.C.'s history, culture and prosperity.

Extensive provincial consultation with British Columbia's Chinese-Canadian community, including a community forum held in Kelowna in January 2014, led to the decision to erect this monument; government heard from local community members who were directly and indirectly impacted by historical discriminatory legislation.

The Kelowna monument was created in consultation with the community, and in particular, the Kelowna Freemasons. The monument project responds to the B.C. government's commitment to create a Chinese legacy for all British Columbians.

#### Quotes:

Teresa Wat, Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism –

"Kelowna's commemorative monument beautifully preserves the apology made in the legislature for historic wrongs committed against Chinese-Canadians by past provincial governments. It also signifies the important role B.C.'s Chinese community has played in shaping British Columbia into the great province it is today."

#### Norm Letnick, MLA for Kelowna-Lake Country –

"This event is in recognition of the Chinese-Canadian pioneers who helped to shape Kelowna, even though during the building of the railway and for years afterward they were subjected to unacceptable racist policies. Today, this monument ensures that everyone who sees it and reads the inscription knows that racism and discrimination will not be tolerated in B.C. and more so, that Kelowna recognizes and values its Chinese Canadian community."

#### Shui Lee, chair, Kelowna Freemasons and LIAC Member -

"Many of the Chinese-Canadians being remembered today were victims of racist laws and policies that permanently separated them from their families in China – my great grandfather was one of them. This monument honours their memories and their sacrifices and stands as a permanent reminder of their contributions to Kelowna and to B.C."

#### **Quick Facts:**

- In 1788, the first Chinese workers to come to British Columbia landed in Nuu-chah-nulth territory (Nootka Sound). They were part of Captain John Meares' expedition to build the first year-round, non-indigenous settlement.
- Today, B.C. is home to more than 460,000 Chinese-Canadians, 11% of B.C.'s population.
- Government's implementation of recommendations in the Chinese Historical Wrongs Consultation Final Report is guided with advice from the Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council (LIAC)
- The LIAC was created by government to assist with the Chinese legacy projects. It works
  with Chinese-Canadian communities and other key partners to advise government on
  project implementation and to ensure that the projects are known and communicated
  throughout the province.

#### **Learn More:**

For more information about the Chinese legacy projects visit: http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/multiculturalism-anti-racism/chinese-legacy-bc

Chinese Historical Wrongs Consultation Final Report and Recommendations: <a href="http://ow.ly/h3YB306Lgpf">http://ow.ly/h3YB306Lgpf</a>

#### **Media Contact:**

Media Relations Ministry of International Trade 250 889-3922

# Commemorative Monuments Legacy Project Kelowna

December 3, 2016

### **KEY MESSAGES:**

- This monument marks the May 2014 apology in the legislature and recognizes the contributions of Chinese Canadians to the history, culture and economic prosperity of our province.
- It also serves as a permanent reminder of the racism, discrimination and hardships faced by Chinese Canadian pioneers who lived and worked in the area during the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway.
- It's a testament to their sacrifices and contributions to the development of Kelowna that goes far beyond the railway.
- Many Chinese Canadian pioneers also worked in Kelowna's agriculture industry on farms and in orchards, and some of their descendants, including Shui Lee, Chair of the Kelowna Freemasons, have remained in the area to raise their own families.

- The Kelowna Freemasons has been integral to the development of this project as we have worked closely with them throughout the design, production and installation of this commemoration of Chinese Canadian pioneers.
- This monument is the first in a series of up to 15 markers that will be established in communities throughout B.C. in the coming months.

### **Monuments Project**

- This project resulted from a consultation report that included a recommendation for one or more regional plaques or monuments to be created to commemorate the positive contributions of Chinese Canadians to B.C.'s history, culture and prosperity.
- Recommendations were made during extensive consultations with British Columbia's Chinese Canadian community, including here in Kelowna.
- In January 2014, during the consultations hosted by the Okanagan Chinese Canadian Association, government heard from local community members who were directly

and indirectly impacted by historical discriminatory legislation.

- The apology and subsequent Chinese legacy projects were made possible thanks to their input, and with the advice of the Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council (LIAC).
- The Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council (LIAC) provides government with advice to ensure successful implementation of the legacy projects resulting from the Chinese Historical Wrongs Consultation Final Report. This includes commemorative markers.
- The LIAC's role is to facilitate meaningful engagement with the Chinese Canadian community and to advise and support government in the successful implementation of legacy projects.
- Our goal is to ensure commemorative monuments acknowledge Chinese Canadians in B.C.'s history, culture and prosperity.
- Soon, we'll have a number of regional monuments,
   plaques or interpretive signs located around the province.
- We will continue to announce these commemorations in the coming weeks and months.

### If asked how locations were chosen:

- Locations were recommended by the LIAC, mostly from 77 historic sites publicly nominated for historical recognition in 2015.
- The LIAC's role is to facilitate meaningful engagement with the Chinese Canadian community and to advise and support government in the successful implementation of legacy projects.
- Ministry staff has been working closely with community organizations in the locations chosen by the LIAC to create the monuments.
- Government provided \$8,000 for the Kelowna monument.
- Overall, \$100,000 of Chinese Legacy BC funding is allocated for regional commemorations.

Last updated: November 23 2016 GCPE Contact: Shawna Cadieux

Multiculturalism Contact: Dean Seyker & Tom Graham

### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

### Commemorative Monuments Legacy Project Kelowna

#### December 3, 2016

Advice to Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism

### Q1: What is being announced today?

- We're announcing the first of up to 15 markers that will be located throughout the province to commemorate the apology in the legislature on May 15, 2014, and celebrate the contributions of Chinese Canadians to the history, culture and economic prosperity of our province.
- The Kelowna monument will stand in the Pioneer Section of Kelowna's Memorial Park Cemetery.
- This Chinese legacy regional monuments project is being carried out jointly between the B.C. government and the Kelowna Dart Coons/Freemasons as part of the Province's Chinese legacy projects.
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### Q2: What are the Chinese legacy projects?

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- Legacy projects commemorate the apology in the legislature on May 15, 2014, and celebrate the contributions of Chinese Canadians to the history, culture and economic prosperity of our province.
- Legacy project themes include:
  - Public education and general awareness
  - Celebrating heritage values
  - Celebrating Chinese Canadian achievement in British Columbia
  - Public awareness to ensure legislated discriminatory practices never happen again in B.C.

### Q3: What is the regional monuments project?

- One of the Chinese legacy projects recommended in the Chinese Historical Wrongs Final Report involves establishing commemorative markers in communities throughout B.C.
- Recommendations resulted from an extensive provincial consultation process with British Columbia's Chinese Canadian community, including a community forum held in Kelowna in January 2014. Government heard from local community members who were directly and indirectly impacted by historical discriminatory legislation.
- All markers monuments, plaques or interpretive signs will include a full or abbreviated version of the 2014 apology, and will be designed by each community with advice and input from government staff.
- Wording from the 2014 apology is etched into Kelowna's stone monument, which also serves as a permanent reminder of the hundreds of Chinese Canadian men who were subjected to racism and discrimination during and after working on the Canadian Pacific Railway in the Kelowna area.
- We are thankful for the work of the Kelowna Dart Coons/Freemasons organization who have been working closely with us on this announcement.

### Q4: Why is this important?

- The legacy projects embody government's pledge to honour the apology for historical wrongs committed against British Columbia's Chinese-Canadian community.
- They are the result and inspiration of the Chinese Historical Wrongs
  Consultation Process and Report, and will ensure that historical wrongs are
  acknowledged and remain part of our collective history.

### Q5: What does the project cost?

- \$100,000 of Chinese Legacy funding has been allocated to the Monument project.
- Up to 15 commemorative regional monuments will be installed under the recommendation and advice of the Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council (LIAC).
- Kelowna received \$8,000 in legacy funding for its monument.

#### Q6: How were communities chosen?

 All locations were recommended by the Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council and most were chosen from the 77 historic sites publicly nominated for historical recognition in 2015. Some were also locations of our public consultations.

### Q7: How were the other locations selected if not from the recent public nomination process?

- Craigellachie [pronounced CRAY-GAL-ACK-EE] is a Canadian Historical Site identified for consideration by LIAC for a regional commemoration.
  - The ceremonial final spike driven into the Canadian Pacific Railway was at Craigellachie, BC at 9:22 am on November 7, 1885.
  - It was not publicly nominated, likely because it was already celebrated and recognized federally.
- Lytton Village was identified for consideration by LIAC on advice from the Lytton First Nation, the region's monument proponent.
  - The publicly nominated and recognized site at nearby Van Winkles is remote and a commemoration there would is not easily accessible for all to enjoy.

### Q8: How many B.C. communities will receive commemorative monuments and where are they located?

- Government will fund commemorative monuments in up to 15 B.C. communities.
- Communities from locations across the province, including Kelowna, submitted proposals for commemorative monuments.
- They were selected for further consideration by Government based on recommendations by the LIAC.

### Q9: Do communities have the freedom to choose what their commemorative monument looks like and what it says?

- Yes, communities will have input into the wording and design of each monument.
- Ministry staff are working closely with each community to arrange for the design, fabrication and installation of the monuments.
- All monuments will contain a full or abbreviated version of the 2014 apology.

- Some of the monuments are etched in stone, while others will be cast in bronze or steel or other materials able to withstand the elements.
- Some communities have expressed an interest in creating sheltered signs, fixed mountings on memorial walls or arches, or plaques displayed on heavy wooden posts.
- Those considerations are the decision of each individual community and ministry staff are working with each community to ensure the right commemoration for the right location.

## Q10: Japanese Canadians also experienced racist B.C. policies and laws and are also interred in the Kelowna cemetery. Will you be erecting a commemorative monument for Kelowna's Japanese Canadian community?

- Government is working with the Japanese Canadian Historic Places Advisory Committee to identify and announce historical sites in February 2017 for which no commemorations have been committed.
- However, the opportunity for more signs and commemorations for everyone, including Japanese Canadians, exists under other BC government projects:
  - Stop of Interest Led by the B.C. ministries of Transportation and Forests, Lands and Natural Resources, this initiative will consider up to 75 new heritage sites.
    - British Columbians are invited to submit ideas for new Stop of Interest signs and share interesting stories that could be told to people travelling B.C.'s highways.
    - Submissions will be accepted through Jan. 30, 2017.
  - Heritage Legacy Fund Established as an endowment from the Province of British Columbia in 2003, held by the Vancouver Foundation, this fund is administered through Heritage BC.
    - Enquiries can be made regarding signs and monuments through Heritage BC and applications will be received until June 2017.

### Q11: Why did it take so long to make this first announcement about a monument when the Apology was more than two years ago?

- Commemorations take time they involve many people and many proposals that need to be heard, s.13
- Further, each location is a community expression and we started with that in mind. Each monument is custom to the needs of each community and subject to community timelines for approvals and partnerships.

- The monuments project is one of 13 legacy recommendations, nine of which have been fulfilled. Many of these projects are complementary to one another and need to be properly sequenced in time.
- Accordingly, it only made sense to consider commemorations following the conclusion of the public nomination and provincial recognition of historic sites in January 2016 to provide a rich source of possible locations.
- Kelowna's monument is the first in a series of commemorative monuments across the province. We'll be making further announcements in coming weeks and months.

### Q12: Could you tell me about some of the other legacy projects?

- I'm proud to say that we making significant progress on all of our legacy projects.
- Some highlights of the progress include:
  - Provincially recognizing 21 places of historical significance to the Chinese Canadian community under the Heritage Conservation Act.
    - This flowed from the release of the Historic Places Nomination Report and creation of an online inventory of all 77 nominated historic sites using an interactive map.
    - In July 2016, government also opened nominations from the public for historic places with significance to British Columbians of Japanese descent.
  - Contributing \$100,000 of legacy funding to the Royal BC Museum Gold Rush exhibit featuring Chinese mining pioneers.
  - Launching an online resource on the anniversary of the apology for historical wrongs, providing information about Chinese legacy projects and their progress: www.gov.bc.ca/ChineseLegacyBC
  - Updating B.C.'s education curriculum to include historical wrongs against Chinese Canadians and First Nations, as well as specific incidents like the Komagata Maru and the internment of Japanese Canadians during World War II.
  - Fulfilling an important commitment with the new curriculum supplement for Grade 5 and 10 students: 'Bamboo Shoots: Chinese Canadian Legacies in BC'.
    - In June 2016, Bamboo Shoots received an award from the Canadian Network for Innovation in Education for excellence and innovation in the integration of technology into K-12 classrooms.
    - Nearly 5000 users have accessed the online resources since they were launched and hundreds of students have experienced interactive, hands-on learning through eight outreach kits

containing games, videos and other materials provided in partnership with the Royal BC Museum.

- Providing \$20,000 to the Chinese Canadian Historical Society of B.C. to help complete 'All Our Father's Relations', a film about a rarely told chapter of B.C.'s history of early Chinese and First Nation relations.
- Launching a new digital inventory of Chinese artifacts held in local museums across B.C, in partnership with the University of Victoria, to help showcase the significance of Chinese Canadians to our society.
  - The digital inventory, referred to as the Chinese Canadian Artifacts Project, was recently presented with one of three Awards of Merit for outstanding, innovative and creative achievement by the BC Museums Association.

### Q13: Are there any projects that have not yet been announced?

- There are three remaining legacy projects, all expected to be completed in 2017, including:
  - A Celebration Book intended to profile the positive contribution of Chinese Canadians to B.C.'s social, economic and cultural history.
    - The book celebrates the stories of many British Columbians of Chinese descent who have made significant contributions to the development of British Columbia.
    - We are making good progress on this project, but there is still work that needs to be done. We can't rush this project – as you can imagine – this needs to be done right.
    - We expect to have the Celebration Book released sometime in 2017.
  - A historical legislation review carried out in partnership with the Ministry of Justice to review historical discriminatory legislation identified during the public consultation to confirm that it is no longer in effect.
    - We plan to have an announcement concerning this project in 2017.
  - An inventory of Chinese Clan Association buildings across the province and feasibility studies to identify options regarding affordable housing.
    - The purpose of the feasibility studies and assessments is to provide individual private sector proponents of housing projects with fact-based reports that support their work with BC Housing.
    - We continue to work with the Housing Policy Branch, BC Housing, Vancouver Island Health Authority, Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, the City of Vancouver, and the Canadian

### Q&A Advice to Minister

Mortgage and Housing Corporation to ensure the information in each report is objective, fact-based and above all useful.

We expect to have these reports posted on our website soon.



### SPEAKING POINTS FOR

### Hon. Teresa Wat

### Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism

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Speaking Time: 2 minutes

Event Contact: Emily Young, GCPE, cell 250 812-3471

**Location:** Follow the main road through the cemetery to a sign reading "Marking the Millennium". Directly ahead of this sign is a gravel area where you may park in a reserved spot marked off by orange cones.

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- It is one of a series of markers that will be established in communities across B.C. over the coming months.
- Locations were recommended by the provincial Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council (LIAC) from 77 historic sites publicly nominated for historical recognition in 2015.
- Government is providing \$100,000 in Chinese Legacy BC funding for the project.

#### Suggested tweets for MO:

- #BC and Kelowna Freemasons unveil commemorative monument to recognize Chinese Canadian contributions to BC's rich cultural mosaic.
- Chinese Canadian pioneers in Kelowna and #BC remembered during commemorative monument ceremony.
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### INTRODUCTION:

- Thank you Norm.
- Thank you to the dragon dancers for that wonderful performance.
- And thanks to everyone who braved the cold today to join us for this important recognition of Chinese Canadian pioneers in Kelowna.
- Let me first acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Okanagan Nation.

- I'd also like to recognize some special people who are with us today. Please welcome:
  - Colin Basran, Mayor of the City of Kelowna
  - James Baker, Mayor, Districtof Lake Country
  - And John Lee, who is the son
     of Joyce and the late Ben Lee.
     Ben Lee was a respected
     member of Kelowna's Chinese
     Canadian community and we
     are grateful that John could

represent his father at this event.

### [PAUSE]

- We are gathered together in this place of peace and tranquility to remember those long gone and to ensure their legacy remains for generations to come.
- I'm referring to the hundreds of Chinese men who, at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, left their homes and their families and travelled thousands of miles to perform

backbreaking work for very little pay.

- These men laboured in dangerous jobs, building the railway that still runs through our province...
- They were paid half as much as their white counterparts.
- And subjected to much more risk as a result of an unfair allocation of labour by racist railroad contractors.

- As a result, many of those early Chinese Canadian pioneers died on the job.
- Those who survived were forced to pay a punitive head tax not applied to European immigrants.
- I'm certain this wasn't the life they dreamed of when they made the decision to move to Canada.
- Thankfully, a lot has changed since those early days in the development of British Columbia.

[PAUSE]

- The pioneer section of the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery is where many of those early Chinese Canadians were laid to rest without ever reuniting with their families.
- It's a sad story for our province and for Kelowna.
- And it's why today is so important.
- Today, the Government of British Columbia...

- In partnership with the community of Kelowna...
- ...is unveiling the first of a series
   of commemorative markers that
   will be located throughout the
   province...
- ...to signify the important role
   B.C.'s Chinese community has played in shaping British
   Columbia into what it is today.

[PAUSE]

- I'd like to thank the Kelowna
   Freemasons Club and in particular its chair, Shui Lee, for their tireless work and dedication to this project that has made today's event possible.
- In January 2014, Shui and other local Chinese Canadians...
- including the late Ben Lee...
- attended a community forum where government heard from those who were directly and

- indirectly impacted by historical discriminatory legislation.
- The Kelowna meeting was one of several consultations held with Chinese Canadian communities across the province.
- Later in 2014, Shui witnessed the historic moment in the legislature when Premier Christy Clark apologized to B.C.'s Chinese Canadian community on behalf of the entire legislative assembly for

- historic wrongs committed by previous governments.
- And Shui was there when the Province released a Chinese historical wrongs consultation report that outlined recommendations for several Chinese legacy projects...
- ...such as the creation of regional markers to commemorate the positive contributions of Chinese Canadians to B.C.'s history, culture and prosperity.

- Recommendations were received during extensive community consultations, including the forum held here in Kelowna.
- Today, Shui is here to help us recognize the first installation of a Chinese legacy monument that makes this recommendation a reality.
- He's once again bearing witness to something profound.

- This beautiful monument will serve as a permanent tribute to Kelowna's Chinese Canadian pioneers...
- including Shui's own great grandfather who is interred in this very cemetery.
- It will commemorate their sacrifices, their dignity in the face of great adversity, and their contributions to this community and to British Columbia.

- Today's event is a reminder of that dark time and a celebration of how far we've come.
- The monument symbolizes the richness and strength of British Columbia's cultural mosaic...
- A richness and strength that exists - thanks in part - to BC's Chinese Canadian community and its early pioneers.

- Chinese British Columbians have made a tremendous contribution to the economic and social development of our province...
- It's important that Chinese
   Canadian cultural history be
   acknowledged, recognized and
   celebrated.
- Let's pay tribute to those who have come before us...
- Let's ensure that their memories and their sacrifices are never forgotten.

- And let's continue to work
   together to stamp out racism and
   discrimination, and ensure that
   this shameful chapter in B.C.'s
   vibrant, multicultural history is
   never repeated.
- Thank you. Now I would like to invite Shui Lee to help me unveil Kelowna's commemorative monument.
- Shui, will you please join me?

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- It's important to follow through and provide closure to wrong actions that happened here in Kelowna years ago.
- It is a top priority for my government that there is a shared understanding there is absolutely no tolerance for racism.
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- Thank you for joining us today at this very important event to recognize Kelowna's Chinese
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- I'd like to acknowledge the members of Kelowna's Chinese Canadian community, Kelowna city council, local First Nations,

and provincial Legacy Initiatives
Advisory Council representatives
who are with us today.

- I'd also like to introduce you to our speakers:
- Teresa Wat, Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism...
- Shui Lee, Legacy Initiatives
   Advisory Council member and
   Chair of the Kelowna Dart Coon/
   Freemasons...

- And David Choi, Legacy Initiatives
   Advisory Council co-chair.
- But first, it is a privilege to introduce our first guest who will offer prayers and blessings on behalf of everyone here.
- Please join me in welcoming Westbank First Nation Chief, Roxanne Lindley.

# [First Nations blessing]

 Thank you Chief Lindley for participating in this event and offering your blessings.  Now, I have a special treat for you. Shui Lee and the Dart Coon Freemasons have arranged for children from Mar Jok [pronounced Mar –Jock]
 Elementary in West Kelowna to perform a Dragon Dance for us.

# [Dragon Dance]

 Thank you – that was wonderful dancing.

## [PAUSE]

 Two and a half years ago, I was honoured to be in the legislature alongside my colleagues to witness a historic apology to Chinese Canadians for the decisions of past provincial governments.

[Feel free to add in your own remarks about your community's involvement with the Chinese legacy projects]

 Since that time, we've made a lot of headway on our commitment to British Columbians to create a Chinese Legacy for everyone to enjoy.

- I'd like to invite Teresa Wat,
   Minister of International Trade and
   Multiculturalism to say a few
   words about the completion of
   government's most recent
   Chinese Legacy project.
- Minister Wat?

[Minister Teresa Wat speaks and invites Shui Lee to help her unveil the monument]

 Now, I'd like to ask Shui Lee to say a few words.  Again, Shui is the Chair of the Kelowna Dart Coon/Freemasons and as you've heard from Minister Wat just now, he has been very instrumental in making today's event happen.

[Shui Lee speaks]

- Thank you, Shui.
- Our final speaker is David Choi, co-chair of the Legacy Initiatives Advisory Council.
- The LIAC provides government with advice to ensure successful

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David, will you please say a few words?

[David Choi to speak]

- Thank you, David.
- I would like to once again thank everyone for attending today's event.

- This event is so meaningful because this monument truly does symbolize the value and recognition that Kelowna has placed on its Chinese Canadian community.
- Minister Wat, Shui Lee, David
   Choi and other members of the
   Legacy Initiatives Advisory
   Council, please assemble here
   with me for a group photo.
- Also, the Kelowna Dart
   Coon/Freemasons are asking

everyone to stay to enjoy some roasted pig and fruit that the club has provided with their thanks. It will be served shortly.

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Itinerary included here as a separate document.

## **Ministry of International Trade Chinese Legacy Heritage Announcement**

Location:

Site of new Heritage Sign Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery 1991 Bernard Avenue Kelowna, B.C.

Date: Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

a.m.

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Time	Event Itinerary
8:30 a.m.	Emily Young and AV Specialists on site for technical setup
Event Summary	This will be an outdoor podium event on the site of the new heritage sign at the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery. Greenery and the new sign will create the backdrop.
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Minister, I'm resending materials to reflect a revised itinerary. There are a few changes to the SN – both yours and MNL as a consequence.

The news release is also attached – embargoed until tomorrow at 1045am.

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Subject: PHOTOS: Chinese Canadian Monument Event
Date: Saturday, December 3, 2016 6:07:48 PM

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Please share the photos with MO and stakeholders.

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Date: Saturday, December 3, 2016 6:09:05 PM

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Date: Monday, December 5, 2016 3:48:02 PM

Dear All,

This is the first Monument of the fifteen that are on our list. The Kelowna Apology Monument Unveiling Event is well organized and well done.

Thanks to Minister Wat and her staff with LIAC member Shui Lee and his team in Kelowna.

This also set a high standard for our future works.

Salute to all.

Cheers.

Ken Tung

Sent via handheld. Please excuse any typos. Thank you.

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