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Mayor and Council  
City of Victoria  
1 Centennial Square  
Victoria, BC  
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June 26, 2021

Dear Mayor and Council,

Re: Renaming of Trutch Street

The Board of the Fairfield Gonzales Community Association would like to express its support for the renaming of Trutch Street, in recognition that its namesake's words and actions were - even by the standards of his time - harmful to the Indigenous people of the lands we live, work, and play on. We view this as an important step in truth-telling about our collective past and in the reconciliation with Indigenous peoples that we are called on to do.

Further, we encourage the City to adopt a clear procedure to address such proposals in the future. We also encourage the City to memorialize such decisions and their reason and intent, ideally locally but at least in record, in order to preserve history.

We commend Mayor and Council for its work on reconciliation, including the proposed renaming of Trutch Street.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of the Board of Directors



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