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Metchosin's resolution.

## Andy MacKinnon Councillor, Metchosin

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Subject: RE: CRD motion about pacheedaht and old growth logging

Good Morning, please see resolution below made at Council's April 12, 2021 Council meeting. Thank you.

Tammie Van Swieten
Deputy Corporate Officer
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## c) Old Growth Forests Resolution

**Moved and Seconded** by Councillors MacKinnon and Epp that Council endorse the following resolution; **And that** staff send a letter to the City of Nanaimo informing them of the resolution.

**WHEREAS** ancient high productivity (big tree) old growth ecosystems are globally one of the most valuable climate mitigation and resiliency assets in terms of carbon storage, sequestration, protection against wildfire, storage of water and bank of biodiversity;

**AND WHEREAS**, of the miniscule amount (2.7%) of the original high productivity (big tree) old-growth forests that are left (less than 1% of BC's total current forested area), 75% are still slated to be eliminated through logging;

## THAT BE IT RESOLVED

**THAT** the District of Metchosin call on the provincial government to immediately defer logging in all high productivity, rare, oldest, and most intact old-growth forests as recommended by the Old-Growth Strategic Review, until all 14 of the panel's recommendations have been implemented; including deferrals in such at-risk old-growth forests as, the head waters of Fairy Creek, the Upper Walbran Valley, Nahmint Valley, Eden Grove, Edinburgh Mountain, Upper Tsitika Valley, East Creek, Klaskish Valley, Nimpkish Lake and the Inland Old-Growth Temperate Rainforest.

**AND THAT** the District of Metchosin formally oppose the logging of at-risk old-growth forests;

**AND THAT** the District of Metchosin call on the Government of British Columbia to allocate funding to enact deferrals in an economically just manner, in the full spirit of reconciliation and to support the economic transition of affected First Nations and non-First Nation communities from unsustainable old-growth logging for the development of long-term sustainable local economies.

**AND THAT** the following resolution be sent to the Union of BC Municipalities and as a late submission to AVICC **Carried** 

