



Office of the Mayor
CITY OF VANCOUVER
BRITISH COLUMBIA

Proclamation

"WILD SALMON MONTH"

- WHEREAS *One hundred and fifty years ago, the City of Vancouver was home to 57 salmon-bearing streams and today only one, Musqueam Creek, remains, together with two very small rebuilt streams at Spanish Banks and Stanley Park;*
- AND WHEREAS *The Fraser River, the world's biggest Salmon River, flows right past our door;*
- AND WHEREAS *Every one of the millions of salmon that spawn in 34 different watersheds along the Fraser - an area over a quarter the size of BC - return to their native stream via either the North or the South Arm, a great many of them starting this journey in September;*
- AND WHEREAS *The City of Vancouver is surrounded by water full of sealife that has sustained First Nations and those who came later for thousands of years;*
- AND WHEREAS *Celebrating the life cycle of wild salmon in September encourages connection to and appreciation for our local environment and waters and the need to preserve and nurture what we have left;*
- NOW, THEREFORE, *I, Samuel Sullivan, Mayor of the City of Vancouver, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of September 2008 as*

"WILD SALMON MONTH"

in the City of Vancouver.

Samuel C. Sullivan,
MAYOR

