R E P O R T Regular Council Meeting 1980 September 15

FILE: 13-3

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

TO: MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Re: "Burnaby Pioneers"

As a sequel to the "Tea With The Mayor And Council", which I am sure Council will agree was a tremendous success for our seniors, I believe it would be advantageous at this point in the history of our municipality to record the personal and family happenings of our earliest pioneers who are still around to "tell their tale".

Over 500 persons who were resident in Burnaby prior to 1925 (i.e. more than fifty years ago) were present at the "Tea" and it seems to me that now would be an appropriate time to compile a book of their earliest memories.

I recommend that Council give support to a project I have in mind that our seniors could participate in during the fall and winter months of 1980. This would take the form of an essay-writing competition with a prize (or prizes) to be given for the best historical account of life in Burnaby over fifty years ago. The project could be co-ordinated by the Mayor's office.

I would also recommend that Council authorize the expenditures that would be involved covering the cost of advertising an invitation to our earliest residents to participate in the competition and an amount not exceeding \$2,000. for prizes.

Respectfully submitted,

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