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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 60
COUNCIL MEETING 94/10/24

TO:

CITY MANAGER

1994 October 19

FROM:

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

OUR FILE: 11.801

SUBJECT:

MURAL DONATED BY BRITISH COLUMBIA

INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (BCIT)
COMMEMORATING B.C. RIVERS DAY

Purpose:

To request that a letter of thanks be sent to the BCIT Board of Governors by the

Mayor for the donation of the mural commemorating the City's involvement in B.C.

Rivers Day.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the Mayor send a letter of thanks to the BCIT Board of Governors on behalf of Council thanking them for donating the mural commemorating the City's involvement in B.C. Rivers Day 1993.

REPORT

A large mural which commemorates Burnaby's involvement in B.C. Rivers Day in 1993 was formally presented to the City of Burnaby by BCIT Fish, Wildlife and Recreation Program Head Mark Angelo on 1994 September 9th. The mural, painted by artist Isobel MacLaurin depicts the diversity of habitats and wildlife at Deer Lake. The mural has been installed on the lower level of City Hall.

The mural was presented by BCIT in recognition of the City being the first level of government to formally participate in Rivers Day.

In 1994, 32 other municipalities followed Burnaby's example by organizing Rivers Day events. The 1994 celebration of B.C. Rivers Day successfully took place in Burnaby on September 25th with a variety of stream clean-up, enhancement and interpretive events taking place involving the community, BCIT, Douglas College, the City, the Outdoor Recreation Council of B.C.; Sapperton Fish & Game Club and the Vancouver Angling and Game Club. The event has proven to foster environmental awareness, stewardship and partnerships in Burnaby while enhancing and protecting our waterways.

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The mural will serve as a reminder of the community working together in protecting environmentally sensitive areas, rehabilitating degraded areas and enhancing natural areas within and adjacent to our waterways. It is recommended that the Mayor send a letter to the BCIT Board of Governors thanking them for the donation of the mural.

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D.G. Stenson, Director PLANNING AND BUILDING