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**TO:** BURNABY CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** 2006 May 25

**FROM:** MAYOR DEREK CORRIGAN

**SUBJECT:** 2006 MAYORS FOR PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
PEACE MESSENGER CITIES CONFERENCE

**PURPOSE:** To obtain Council approval to host an outdoor barbeque event during the Mayors  
for Peace and The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities 2006  
Conference.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** Council authorize the hosting of an outdoor barbeque for the Mayors for  
Peace and The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities at 5:00 p.m.  
on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts.

**REPORT**

From June 19<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006 the World Urban Forum and the World Peace Forum will be held in Vancouver with concurrent meetings of the Mayors for Peace and the International Association of Peace Messenger Cities. It is estimated that over 3,000 delegates will participate in the World Peace Forum, and as many as 100 Mayors from all over the world will attend meetings of the Mayors for Peace and Peace Messenger Cities.

As Council will recall, Mayors for Peace was founded in 1982 by the Mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki to promote the solidarity of cities around the world toward the goal of total abolition of nuclear weapons, as well as to solve vital problems for the human race such as starvation and poverty, the plight of refugees, human rights abuses, and environmental degradation. Mayors for Peace is presently comprised of mayors from 1,080 cities worldwide who have formally expressed their commitment to work towards a nuclear weapon-free world.

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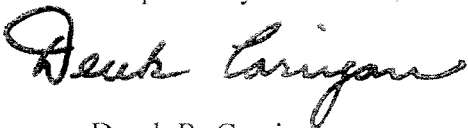
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In support of the peace movement, the FCM Board of Directors unanimously adopted a resolution expressing its unqualified support for the 2006 Mayors for Peace Conference. The GVRD Board of Directors have also unanimously adopted a resolution, welcoming the Mayors for Peace and endorsing their continuing efforts toward nuclear disarmament.

As an active and dedicated member of the Mayors for Peace movement since 1989 it is indeed a pleasure to welcome delegates to metropolitan Vancouver. As part of the Mayors for Peace program, the City of Burnaby has been offered an opportunity to host an event. On behalf of Council and the citizens of Burnaby, I propose that an invitation be extended to the Mayors for Peace and Peace Messenger Cities delegates (approximately 100 Mayors) to attend an outdoor barbeque event at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts on the evening of June 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

Costs associated with the event would not exceed \$8,500.00 and funds are available in Council's Civic Receptions and Miscellaneous account.

Respectfully submitted,



Derek R. Corrigan  
MAYOR