MOTION ON NOTICE

3. Vancouver Port Policing Costs (VanRIMS No. 01-5500-30)

MOVER: Councillor Capri SECONDER: Councillor Lee

WHEREAS:

- The Federal Government is responsible for the security and policing provisions of all of Canada's Ports;
- The "make-up funding" for Vancouver's additional policing requirements expired on July 1, 2004;
- The funding of \$350,000 per year, that is paid by the Vancouver Port Authority to the Solicitor General, relates to policing operations directed at intelligence and security within the Port of Vancouver and is not specifically designated for Vancouver;
- The Port of Vancouver enjoys a collaborative, on-site presence with the Vancouver Police Department, that includes a partnership with CBSA, RCMP and the Coast Guard: and
- The Vancouver Port Authority recommends that policing services are best handled by the police of local jurisdiction and the RCMP, as these police forces possess the capacity and personnel to better manage criminal intelligence and emergency response than would a stand-alone port police force;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council ask the Mayor to request the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, the Honourable Stockwell Day, to re-instate the compensatory funding for the Vancouver Police, as a critical element to effective policing in the Port of Vancouver.

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