B.5

MOTION ON NOTICE

5. International Women's Day Celebration

MOVER: Councillor Ellen Woodsworth SECONDER: Councillor Andrea Reimer

WHEREAS

- 1. International Women's Day has been celebrated annually on March 8 since 1909 to recognize women as makers of history and is an occasion marked across Canada, around the world, commemorated at the United Nations and designated by many countries as a national holiday;
- 2. The "Gender Equality Strategy" for the City of Vancouver was passed unanimously by Council July 2005 and calls for the celebration, recognition and encouragement of women's participation in the municipal process.
- 3. The City of Vancouver has held annual International Women's Day events in the past.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

City staff be directed to work with EEO, Councillor Woodsworth and Councillor Reimer to prepare an International Women's Day Celebration in the Council Chambers on March 8, 2009 with the theme of increasing women's civic engagement.

* * * * *