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MOTION ON NOTICE

2. Missing Women Inquiry

MOVER: Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

SECONDER: Councillor

WHFRFAS:

- 1. Both the Vancouver Police Department and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police support holding a public inquiry into the investigation into Vancouver's missing women at the earliest opportunity;
- 2. An inquiry has the power to identify what went wrong in that investigation so that change can be made at all levels of policing;
- 3. The Downtown East Side community and families and friends of the missing women have already waited for almost eight years with no commitment from their government to investigate what went wrong in the investigation; and
- 4. Women continue to be murdered and go missing across Canada and investigations continue to stall.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Vancouver City Council write a letter to British Columbia's Attorney General calling for an immediate commitment to a public inquiry into the investigation into Vancouver's missing women and for the said inquiry to be held as soon as the publication ban in the Robert Pickton case has been lifted.

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