

MOTION

5. Naming a Civic Asset After the Komagata Maru

On March 12, 2019, Vancouver City Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on March 13, 2019, in order to hear from speakers. Subsequently, discussion and decision was referred to the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Swanson

WHEREAS

1. Vancouver's Civic Asset Naming committee passed a resolution in 2018 to that the name Komagata Maru be added to the reference section of the civic asset name reserve list for any asset in the Downtown near the Burrard Inlet waterfront;
2. May 23, 2019, is the 105th anniversary of the arrival of the Komagata Maru to Vancouver;
3. The Descendents of the Komagata Maru Society would like to mark this occasion;
4. Naming a civic asset after the Komagata Maru can be a long term reminder that Vancouver does not condone the racism that prevented the Komagata Maru from docking with its passengers in Vancouver.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council shows its support for fast tracking the naming of a civic asset in the Downtown near the Burrard Inlet waterfront after the Komagata Maru.
- B. THAT staff work with the Descendents of the Komagata Maru Society to try to find an asset to name before the May 23, 2019, 105th anniversary.

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