



DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH

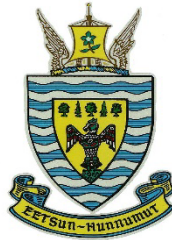
COUNCIL POLICY

TITLE: CORPORATE PURPOSE – HISTORICAL/SYMBOLS	NO. COU-001
<p>1.0 Historical (31/65)</p> <p>After the Trustees of the North Saanich Fire Improvement District petitioned the Provincial Government, the District of North Saanich was incorporated in 1965. In the petition, the Trustees requested that the Letters Patent of the Fire Improvement District be revoked and other Letters Patent be issued in their place, reincorporating the North Saanich Fire Improvement District as the District of North Saanich.</p> <p>2.0 Official Flower (1023/80)</p> <p>THAT WHEREAS a significant number of residents of the District of North Saanich have expressed a preference for the White Fawn Lily (or Easter Lily) as the official flower of North Saanich;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS this beautiful flower is eminently suitable by virtue of being a characteristically representative flower of the District;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS it has a relatively limited distribution in south eastern Vancouver Island;</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED that this Council adopt the White Fawn Lily (<i>Erythronium oregonum</i> applegate) as the Official Flower of the District of North Saanich and as its floral emblem.</p> <p>3.0 Official Bird (1024/80)</p> <p>THAT WHEREAS a significantly large number of residents of the District have expressed a desire to adopt the Great Blue Heron as the official bird and emblem of the District of North Saanich;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS this species is a regular and characteristic resident of the North Saanich foreshore and therefore most suitable for this distinction;</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED that this Council designate the Great Blue Heron (<i>Ardea herodias</i>) as the Official Bird and Emblem of the District of North Saanich.</p>	

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4.0 Official Crest (207/68)

That the Crest, Arms and Motto as submitted by Professor (Alfred L.C.) Atkinson be adopted by the municipality.



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ARMS: Or, on a mount in base a Thunderbird, wings inverted, and in chief five trees alternately deciduous and coniferous each upon a mount, all proper, the whole within a bordure barruly wavy of sixteen argent and azure.

CREST: On a wreath of the colours, between two wings erect argent a mast rigged proper with square-sail hoisted Or charged with a dogwood flower leaved and slipped also proper.

MOTTO: On a scroll or, lined and lettered azure, the words "EETSUN-HUNNUMUT". The motto "EETSUN-HUNNUMUT" is a loose translation of the words used by the First Nations Peoples of the Saanich area to describe "The land where it is good to be".

5.0 Official Flag (684/06)

That the Council adopt the "Blue Heron" design submitted by Rhonda LePoidevin as the District's official flag.

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The images are a blue heron (the District's official bird), rolling green hills, gold fields, and the ocean.

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