



July 17, 2017

Dear Mr. Roberts,

On behalf of Victoria City Council, It is my pleasure to welcome you to Victoria as you conclude your journey across Canada with the Push For Change campaign to raise awareness and dollars to end youth homelessness.

This 9,000 km, 17 month journey is a remarkable accomplishment. The Push For Change Campaign has undoubtedly drawn attention to what is a significant issue here in British Columbia, and across the country.

Addressing homelessness and poverty in our community is a top priority for Council as we continue to advocate to the Federal, Provincial, and Regional governments to increase support for those experiencing homelessness in our community. We have further identified "Make Victoria More Affordable" and "Facilitate Social Inclusion and Community Wellness" as a key strategic objectives for the 2014-2018 Council term. In that spirit, proactive measures by individuals and organizations to increase awareness for issues surrounding homelessness are strongly encouraged and supported by the City of Victoria.

Thank you for visiting Victoria on this inspiring journey! It is our hope that the Push For Change campaign will help bring further awareness to these pressing issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa Helps".

Lisa Helps
Victoria Mayor