WHEREAS: the heating, ventilation, air conditioning, refrigeration, and water heating industry employs over 38 thousand people in Canada; and

WHEREAS: refrigeration technology is used to preserve and enable the transport of food and medicine, provide thermal conditioning for critical applications and comfort, and improve air quality through ventilation, thus allowing society to live, travel and work safely and comfortably; and

WHEREAS: World Refrigeration Day raises awareness about the importance of refrigeration technologies in everyday life; and

WHEREAS: the second annual World Refrigeration Day celebrated this year, recognizes the significance of cold chain technology, which ensures the proper handling, transport and storage of perishable pharmaceutical and food products that are used to keep people healthy around the world through its ability to control temperature, carbon dioxide, oxygen, and humidity levels; and

WHEREAS: World Refrigeration Day is recognized by ASHRAE, the United Nations Environment Program, and more than 60 organizations, corporations and government agencies dedicated to raising public awareness of Refrigeration's positive contributions to quality of life; and

WHEREAS: ASHRAE sets standards and guidelines for the heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration industry, in addition to certifying and educating people in the industry across the country; and

WHEREAS: the Vancouver Island Chapter of ASHRAE acknowledges the impact of the heating, ventilation, air conditioning, refrigeration, and water heating industry across the entire region of Vancouver Island, in honor of World Refrigeration Day, observed June 26, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Leonard Kog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim the 26th day of June 2020 shall be known as:

"WORLD REFRIGERATION DAY"

in the City of Nanaimo and urge all citizens to recognize the importance of refrigeration in our daily lives.

Leonard Kog
MAYOR

Dated this 12th day of June 2020