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ATT'N: CITY CLERK

VIA FAX: 604 278-5139

RE: APPEARANCE AT THE JUNE 23RD CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS A DELEGATION TO BE HEARD ON AN ITEM.

JUNE 18TH, 2008

Dear Sir/Madame,

INTENT

SAFETY AND SECURITY IN STEVESTON PARK AND THE VILLAGE OF STEVESTON AT NIGHT.

SUMMARY

My oldest son, Matthew, 17, was attacked with Bear Spray TWICE last year in Steveston Park.

My youngest son, Scott, 16, was attacked on June 13th this year around Steveston park. He was swarmed and beaten by a group of 10 teenagers. He was hospitalized with a serious concussion. He was cut in the face and had damage to his teeth.

HISTORY

After the second attack last year, I was assured by one of the Staff Sargents at Richmond RCMP that
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- Night patrols in Steveston park would be instated.
- The brush around the west bleachers at the north baseball diamond was being removed to eliminate a hiding spot in the park.
- More lighting was being addressed in the park.
- Signs were being installed to indicate park closure at 11pm.

None of this has happened save the signs.

Soon, someone will be critically injured if not killed if real action is not taken.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED

- Night patrols BY FOOT in Steveston park especially between the hours of 11 pm and 1 am. Enforce the park closure hours.
- Heavy Police presence for these first two or three weeks to get this gang of teenagers from having the run of the park at night.
- Reopen the Police station in Steveston park.
- Remove the brush around the west bleachers at the north baseball diamond.
- Install more lighting in the park.
- Any other appropriate action.

Thank-you,

Sincerely,

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