

# Request to Appear as a Delegation

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Name of Delegation: Living Donor Circle of Excellence
Name of Primary Contact Person: Megan Owen-Evans
Name(s) of Delegation Member(s) in Attendance: Megan Owen-Evans, Harry Brownlow, Dr. John Gill
Purpose of Delegation: To advise the Council of the Living Donor Circle of Excellence initiative in the hopes the City of Port Moody will choose to join this voluntary recognition program in support of living organ donation. We are hoping to have a motion passed in favor of joining this program.
Details of Request: The Circle of Excellence (COE) is a recognition program meant to recognize businesses/organizations that implement a policy to cover wages for any employee who chooses to become a living donor. The threshold for membership into the Circle is at least 80% of wages/salary for a minimum of 4 weeks. Once included in the Circle that business/organization is recognized on the Canadian Society for Transplantation and American Society for Transplantation websites, as well as at an annual recognition event (for the year of entry). Many B.C. businesses have now joined including Neptune Terminals, Beedie, BCMEA, GCT, and Fibreco. The Provincial government has joined and now a number of municipalities have recently come on board: City of North Vancouver, District of North Vancouver, and Ucluelet. We are speaking at a West Van Council Meeting on January 27th with the hopes they will pass a motion as well. We would love to see Port Moody lead the way in getting the Tri-Cities involved.  There are three of us who wish to briefly speak at a Council Meeting: I am a two time anonymous organ donor (kidney and liver) who has also donated while covered under the COE, Dr. John Gill is a Professor of Medicine with UBC (as well as an initiator of this program and recent King Charles III Coronation Medal recipient) and Harry Brownlow is a donor whose wife is a recipient as are numerous members of her family.
Additional Information in Support of Request: For member list and application form: <a href="https://www.livingdonorcircle.com/members">https://www.livingdonorcircle.com/members</a> For more information: <a href="https://kidney.ca/Living-Donor-Circle-of-Excellence">https://kidney.ca/Living-Donor-Circle-of-Excellence</a>