

## **News Release**

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## BC FERRIES PRESENTS QUEEN OF BURNABY PLAQUE TO CITY OF BURNABY

VICTORIA – BC Ferries presented the City of Burnaby with a historical plaque from the Queen of Burnaby at last night's City of Burnaby Council meeting. The Queen of Burnaby served the Powell River – Comox route and was retired from BC Ferries' fleet in May, replaced by the new Salish Orca.

Captain Trevor Caldwell, Senior Master of Fleet Renewal & Standards, presented Mayor Derek Corrigan and Council with the plaque on behalf of BC Ferries. The plaque hung directly across from the Chief Steward's office for the more than five decades the Queen of Burnaby was in service. The Queen of Burnaby served millions of national and international customers over her service life.

"I was honoured to present the City of Burnaby with this plaque on behalf of BC Ferries," said Captain Trevor Caldwell, Senior Master of Fleet Renewal & Standards. "This plaque is dated from the Queen of Burnaby's inaugural year of service and we wanted to present it back to the City of Burnaby in recognition of the vessel's 52 years of service."

The Queen of Burnaby was built at the Victoria machinery depot and had an inaugural run on May 26, 1965. Since her service date, the vessel has belonged to three separate companies and held two other names; from 1994-1997 as Victoria Line Ltd.'s Royal Victoria and from 1997-1999 as Victoria Clipper's MV Princess Marguerite III. Since 2001 to May of this year, the vessel operated on the Comox to Powell River route making four round trips daily.

"We are very pleased to receive this Queen of Burnaby plaque from BC Ferries," says Mayor Derek Corrigan. "Having a BC ferry carry our City's name has been a 52-year honour that helped to celebrate Burnaby and bring awareness of our city to British Columbians and international visitors during all those years. This plaque will be a permanent reminder of those years and – a special artifact to celebrate in this year of Burnaby's 125th Birthday."

Under contract to the Province of British Columbia, BC Ferries is the service provider responsible for the delivery of safe, efficient and dependable ferry service along coastal British Columbia.

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July 24, 2017 – BC Ferries' Captain Trevor Caldwell (right) presents City of Burnaby Mayor Derek Corrigan (left) with the plaque from the Queen of Burnaby.