

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN
BOARD POLICY**

POLICY: Proclamation Policy

AUTHORITY: Board Resolution dated July 16, 2015.

POLICY STATEMENT

A proclamation is a public or official announcement made by declaration of a public body. The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen does not have any statutory authority in accordance with the *Local Government Act* or the *Community Charter* for the issuance of proclamations.

PURPOSE

To provide direction that formalizes the resolution of the Board on handling proclamation requests and to eliminate unnecessary administration of proclamations where the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen has no statutory authority.

The Board of Directors may lend political support to community causes, organizations, and events by means other than proclamations.

PROCEDURES

All requests for the issuance of proclamations will be referred to the Manager of Legislative Services to acknowledge the request and advise the requesting individual or organization that the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen declines to issue proclamations in accordance with Board policy.