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Trans rights are human rights, says BCFED on International Transgender Day of Visibility

(Unceded Squamish, Tsleil-Waututh and Musqueam territories — Vancouver, BC) — The BC Federation of Labour issued the following statement today on the International Transgender Day of Visibility:

Today, on the International Transgender Day of Visibility, we celebrate transgender, non-binary, two-spirit and gender-nonconforming people throughout BC and around the world.

British Columbia's unions reaffirm that trans rights are human rights. We stand in solidarity with our trans friends, family, coworkers, neighbours, and allies everywhere.

We also recognize that the pandemic has had a harsher impact on those already contending with exclusion, discrimination, prejudice and hate. Solidarity is always important, but never more than today.

People of all gender identities deserve to feel safe in their workplaces, their homes and their communities. We call on BC's employers to do all they can to speak out against hate and to create safe, welcoming workplaces. And we call on our entire community to ensure workers, especially on the front lines, are protected from anti-trans hate as well as all other forms of hatred.

And to all of our transgender, non-binary, two-spirit and gender-nonconforming friends, please know that we see you, we love you, and we stand with you in solidarity.