## Questions and Answers about proxies, voting and new nominees.

What is a proxy form??

Why should I fill out a proxy if I am not attending the Annual General Meeting (AGM)??

How do I vote for new Directors that I do not know??

According to our Constitution (our Founding Document), IDHHC is a Membership – based agency. That means every person that is a **Regular Member** has a right to have a VOTE in the affairs of the organization. According to our Bylaws, each year at the AGM we are required to have a certain number of voting members – that number is 10% of all members, or 15 individuals. If we do not have enough representation from the Membership, we cannot conduct the business of the meeting.

As a voting Member if you cannot attend the meeting for any reason you can give your vote to another Member – this is known as a *proxy*. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can fill out the proxy form and assign your vote to either the President (Chris Beresford) or you can name another member that will be in attendance. When you assign a proxy you give that person **all** of your votes at the meeting. Please remember to assign a proxy if you are not able to attend – it is important that your vote be counted!

At the AGM nominees for the Board of Directors are presented. These nominees have all been interviewed by a panel of Directors on the Board Development and Recruitment Committee. Nominees are asked for their resume, they complete a skills matrix to determine what skills they bring to the Board, and their experience and knowledge is reviewed before they are invited to become Directors. So, the nominees you see on the agenda each year have been selected and nominated by the committee before they are invited to stand for a position. When voting occurs, you do not vote for each individual member but instead vote for the entire slate or group.

Your proxy form is attached here.

Your participation in the AGM is sincerely appreciated!

If you have any questions please feel free to call or email us: 250.592.8144 <u>idhhc@idhhc.ca</u>

Thank you!



## PROXY FORM Annual General Meeting

## Wednesday June 26th 2024 at 6:00 PM

Victoria BC

l,	, being a Member in good
(please pri	nt your name)
standing of Island	Deaf and Hard of Hearing Centre, assign my voting authority to:
Chris Bere	esford, President of the Board of Directors
Or	
Another M	ember in good standing:
	(Please print name of other Member)
Other Men	nber's Address:
for all Motions re	equiring such vote at the June 26 <sup>th</sup> 2024 Annual General Meeting.
Signature:	
Date:	
Proxy forms must b	pe received by Monday June 24th 2024 ay 3:00 pm and can be:
Mailed:	301-3960 Quadra Street, Victoria BC V8X 4A3
Faxed:	250.592.8199
Emailed:	idhhc@idhhc.ca