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12 Cities, 5 Time Zones, 1 Guinness World Record at 2nd Annual Canada Day Drumming Celebration

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The GWR drumming team after announcement of results.

THE non-profit organization, The Legacy 150 Celebrations Society, announced on Wednesday that it successfully brought the Guinness world record of “Most Nationalities in a Drum Circle (single venue)” to Vancouver. On July 1, 107 drummers representing 61 nationalities participated in the drum circle.

As declared by the Guinness World Records' adjudicator, Claire Stephens: "The most nationalities in a drum circle is 61 and was achieved by The Legacy 150 Celebrations Society (Canada) at Creekside Park in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, on 1 July 2018."



GWR adjudicator presents certificate to Richard Wong.

Two highlights during the opening ceremonies included:

1. Star Quilt Cover was presented to four distinguished individuals by the Musqueam Indian Band. They include WWII Veteran George Chow, Senator Yuen Pau Woo, George Chow, MLA for Vancouver-Fraserview, and Vancouver Mayor Gregor Robertson.

2. Senator Yuen Pau Woo presented the Senate Sesquicentennial Medal to five individuals who helped to shape this nationwide drumming celebration: Addy Cheong, James Chu, Sandra Sung, Alfred Woo and Edmund Wu. Richard Wong and Maggie Ip received the medal earlier in Ottawa for their leadership in this national event.

"We believe it is one of the few celebrations from coast to coast to coast," said Richard Wong, National Elected Chair of the Society, "We are excited that we

achieved the record on the second try. We believe in not giving up and we are determined.”

“We are excited that we brought a new Guinness World Record to Vancouver,” said Maggie Ip, Vice Chair, “what is more important though is it shows how multicultural Canada is and how the diverse communities can live together in harmony, something that is getting more and more rare in the world today.”

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