

## **SOCIETIES ACT**

### **CONSTITUTION**

1. The name of the society is ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTRE SOCIETY.
2. The purposes of the Society are:
  - a) To initiate, organize and coordinate social, educational, cultural, athletic, folkloristic, and recreational activities among Canadians of Italian origin.
  - b) To represent, advance and defend the interest of Canadians of Italian origin within the community at large.
  - c) To promote multiculturalism as an essential aspect of Canadian life and specifically to promote the inter change of culture and traditions between Italian and Canadians of other ethnic origins.
  - d) To interpret the Italian culture to the people of Canada.
  - e) To assist and educate immigrants from Italy to a better understanding of Canadian customs and assist them in obtaining Canadian citizenship.
  - f) To assist in the administration of social, educational, cultural and related programmes sponsored by the Italian government through its consular offices for the benefit of the Italian Canadian community as long as such programmes are consistent with the law and these purposes.
  - g) To acquire, hold, lease of dispose of any real or personal property and to build, support and maintain buildings or structures to further these aims and objectives and without limiting the generality of the foregoing to operate:
    - (i) the Italian Cultural Centre of Vancouver,
    - (ii) senior citizens housing,
    - (iii) sports facilities,

(iv) facilities for theatrical and performing arts.

- h) To establish and maintain branch societies to facilitate these aims and objectives.
- i) To work with and encourage continuing cooperation with federal, provincial, municipal governments and foster an understanding of governments; to achieve this purpose the society is and will continue to be non political.
- j) To apply for and receive rents, gifts, legacies, devises and bequests in furtherance of the objects of the society and to do all such other acts and things as are conducive to the attainment of the objects of the society.
- k) The society by special resolution may subscribe to, participate with, be a member of, affiliate with, and or coordinate its work with any other Society, Association or Organization, whether incorporated or not, whose purposes are similar to its own.