

## CITY OF MAPLE RIDGE NEWS RELEASE

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## Thank Mom & Support Local Business This Weekend

**Maple Ridge, BC:** The City of Maple Ridge issued a challenge to encourage local food and beverage businesses to come up with a 'Mother's Week' special and promote it through local social media channels using the hashtag **#mealsformomMR**.

The hope is that this challenge will allow you to find a creative way to celebrate Mother's Day 2020, while supporting local businesses that have been struggling during this difficult time. They are the heart of our local economy and we hope you will make them part of your weekend celebration.

"This has been a strange time for all of us. As we come into the Mother's Day weekend, I want to take a moment to thank all Maple Ridge Moms for everything they have done while we have been hunkered down trying to flatten the COVID-19 curve," said Mayor Morden. "I also want to acknowledge those who haven't been able to visit their moms or grandmothers in care homes. There is nothing so healing as a hug from Mom."

"The Restart BC Plan has been announced by the Provincial Government and we are getting much closer to that hug we have missed so much. Let's continue to follow Dr. Henry's advice on being kind, being calm and staying safe," concluded the Mayor.