

Khupkhahpay'ay*: A Found Poem

Words Gathered from Commercial Drive

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who gather heritage and reconciliation for the renewal of britannia
respect and welcome families from the drive
every child matters
britannia
honor survivors whose land and culture shape
future generations who make police afraid and communities safe
empower teens from exclusionary politics
reconciliation is disaster support
history is a legacy
acknowledgement was a choice
negligence was authentic in
a colossally mishandled city
east van with no consent
unceded territory
grandview woodland

*Squamish name for “cedar”

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