



Canada
Province of British Columbia
A Proclamation

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom,
Canada and Her other Realms and Territories, Queen, Head of the
Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To all to whom these presents shall come – Greeting

WHEREAS British Columbia has a proud tradition of sport excellence and participation by athletes, coaches and officials, and

WHEREAS the province promotes participation in sport and physical activity as a valued way of life – one that through events such as BC Games upholds the significance of such activities as bringing important health and social benefits to our society, and

WHEREAS the BC Winter Games and BC Summer Games are British Columbia's ongoing multi-sport events that bring people from every corner of the province together to celebrate sport and community, and

WHEREAS since 1978, the BC Games Society has delivered exceptional experiences through sport and championed a movement that ignites a passion for sport and physical activity in young athletes and our communities, and

WHEREAS 2018 marks the 40th anniversary of the BC Games where, through the years, these events have been staged in 38 communities, involving more than 350,000 participants and volunteers, and

WHEREAS British Columbia communities have benefited from economic impacts and legacies such as trained volunteers, new sport programs, new or refurbished equipment and facilities, and

WHEREAS Kamloops, as host of the 2018 BC Winter Games, and the Cowichan Valley, as host of the 2018 BC Summer Games, will continue this legacy of sport and community celebration, and

WHEREAS BC Games have inspired thousands of British Columbians to become athletes, coaches and volunteer, while leaving a lasting legacy in communities throughout British Columbia, and

WHEREAS athletes have had the opportunity to attend the BC Games as a catalyst to set goals to represent Team BC at the Canada Games or Team Canada at the Olympic or Paralympic Games, and

WHEREAS the BC Games Society is dedicated to remembering the history of the BC Games, recognizing the successes and the people who have contributed, and renewing the commitment to provide high quality opportunities for the next generation;

NOW KNOW YE THAT, We do by these presents proclaim and declare that 2018 shall be known as


“2018 The Year of BC Games”

in the Province of British Columbia.

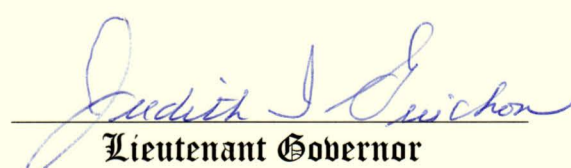
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this eleventh day of January, two thousand eighteen and in the sixty-sixth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.



Attorney General
(counter signature for the Great Seal)



Lieutenant Governor