



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 November 15, 2019, marks the 20th anniversary of Canada's Michael Smith Genome Sciences Centre at BC Cancer (GSC), established with support from Canadian Nobel Laureate, Dr. Michael Smith, and

WHEREAS the GSC is a world leader in sequencing and analyzing DNA and RNA, and was Canada's first serious capacity in genome science, allowing British Columbia to emerge as an international leader in genomics and bioinformatics, and

WHEREAS the GSC, in partnership with BC Cancer and the Provincial Health Services Authority, is helping to reduce the burden of cancer and other diseases by using genome science to develop new precision-medicine based approaches to the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care of cancer and other diseases, and

WHEREAS the GSC has made significant contributions to life science, genomics and bioinformatics through training of thousands of highly qualified personnel, through hundreds of local, national and international research collaborations, and through thousands of scientific publications in leading peer-reviewed scientific journals, and

WHEREAS the GSC is helping British Columbia to realize the social and economic benefits of genome science, not only for cancer research and care but also in the prevention and treatment of other diseases, and other life sciences and resource sectors, including agriculture, forestry, fisheries, environmental studies and engineering;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that November 15, 2019, shall be known as

**“20th Anniversary of Canada's
Michael Smith Genome Sciences Centre at BC Cancer Day”**

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 Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this fourth day of November, two thousand nineteen and in the sixty-eighth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.



Attorney General
(counter signature for the Great Seal)



Lieutenant Governor