



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 acromegaly is a rare condition resulting from excessive amounts of growth hormone, most commonly caused by a benign tumour in the pituitary gland, and

WHEREAS the condition causes abnormal growth of bones characterized by enlargement of an individual's hands, feet and face, and the alteration of facial features including the brow, nasal bone, lower jaw and teeth, and

WHEREAS acromegaly is uncommon and physical changes occur gradually, so that the condition may not be recognized for years, and

WHEREAS scientists estimate that three to four out of every million people develop acromegaly each year and about 60 out of every million people suffer from the disease at any time, and

WHEREAS a lack of diagnosis or treatment of acromegaly can be associated with increased risk of death from cardiovascular disease and cancer, and

WHEREAS early diagnosis and treatment can reduce risk of complications and improve symptoms, and

WHEREAS health clinicians and British Columbians need to be well informed about the signs and symptoms of acromegaly, and

WHEREAS the Vancouver Acromegaly Support Group is dedicated to promoting awareness, providing education and supporting patients and their families;

NOW KNOW YE THAT, We do by these presents proclaim and declare that November 1, 2018, shall be known as

“Acromegaly Awareness 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 thirty-first day of August, two thousand eighteen and in the sixty-seventh year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General
(counter signature for the Great Seal)

Lieutenant Governor