



**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 childhood apraxia of speech is a challenging speech disorder, and children with childhood apraxia of speech will not learn to speak without frequent, intensive and appropriate speech therapy, and

WHEREAS a lack of appropriate speech therapy intervention may impact not only communication but also individual outcomes in education, independence, mental wellness and employment, and

WHEREAS public awareness about childhood apraxia of speech is needed in British Columbia for families with children who have childhood apraxia of speech, and

WHEREAS Apraxia Awareness Day is an opportunity to recognize the professionals who support children with childhood apraxia of speech and their families, and who advocate for much needed services for these children learning to use their own voice, and

WHEREAS Apraxia Awareness Day is an opportunity to honour children with childhood apraxia of speech and their families for their effort, determination and resilience in the face of obstacles;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that May 14, 2022, shall be known as

**“Apraxia 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 twelfth day of May, two thousand twenty-two and in the seventy-first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General and  
Minister Responsible for Housing  
(counter signature for the Great Seal)

Lieutenant Governor