



Canada
Province of British Columbia
A Proclamation

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom,
Canada and His other Realms and Territories, King, Head of the
Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To all to whom these presents shall come – Greeting

WHEREAS books are a significant means of cultural expression, by which a community shares knowledge, experiences, stories and ideas, and

WHEREAS authors and publishers in British Columbia have, through the written word, enabled British Columbians and the world to know, appreciate and celebrate the land and the people who live in this province, and

WHEREAS the publishing industry is an important part of the creative sector and continues to prosper and contribute to the provincial economy, and

WHEREAS the publishing industry supports literacy skills, which are essential to making community connections and improving people's quality of life, and

WHEREAS books, in their many formats, are sources of knowledge and reading pleasure, and

WHEREAS BC Book Day is an opportunity for British Columbians to recognize and pay special tribute to the significant achievements of authors and publishers in British Columbia;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that April 17, 2023, shall be known as

“BC Book 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 twenty-fourth day of March, two thousand twenty-three and in the first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General

Lieutenant Governor