



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 Columbians take pride in and enjoy the high-quality products produced in communities throughout this province, and

WHEREAS British Columbia's wine industry includes many family-run vineyards and wineries, with farmers, grape growers, viticulturists and winemakers who have chosen farming and winemaking as their passion and profession and who deserve to be supported, and

WHEREAS British Columbia's wine industry provides stable, value-added farming and manufacturing jobs to more than 12 000 people in communities throughout the province, with an annual economic impact of \$2.8 billion, and

WHEREAS British Columbia is home to 1 049 vineyards, including more than 370 licensed wineries that welcome over 1 million visitors each year, and

WHEREAS approximately 4 500 hectares of wine grapes are grown in British Columbia, with more than 80 grape varieties produced in the province;

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

**“BC Wine Month”**

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 eleventh day of March, 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