



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 providing care and support to bereaved people helps diminish grief, and

WHEREAS bereaved people are in need of grief supports due to their reduced access to family supports because of restricted mobility and distance, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic; their reduced connection with community; the process of grief, which can be long, lonely and difficult; and stigma associated with some types of death, including those that involve suicide, substance use or violent crime, and

WHEREAS Bereavement Day is an opportunity to renew public understanding of bereavement as a natural response to the death of a loved one and to help bereaved people adjust to their loss, and

WHEREAS Bereavement Day is also an opportunity to raise awareness of bereavement and to show support for bereaved people in British Columbia;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that May 29, 2022, shall be known as

“Bereavement 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 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