



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 every child should have the opportunity to reach their full potential, both as an individual and as a member of society, and

WHEREAS changing the course of young lives can, in turn, change the course of a community's future, and

WHEREAS Big Brothers Big Sisters has committed to being leaders in providing Canada's young people with the highest quality volunteer mentoring programs that embrace diversity, are inclusive, and respect the cultures of Indigenous children, youth and families, and

WHEREAS mentorship can lead to a reduction in poverty and unemployment, create safer schools and neighbourhoods, and renew optimism for growth, and

WHEREAS mentorship could even lead to change on a broader, more far-reaching scale, and

WHEREAS Big Brothers Big Sisters envisions a world where every child and youth who needs a mentor has a mentor;

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

**“Big Brothers Big Sisters 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 twenty-sixth day of August, two thousand twenty-two and in the seventy-first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

*Murray Rankin*

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

*Janet Austin*  
Lieutenant Governor