



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 supporting mental health and wellness is fundamental to achieving the full potential of  
British Columbia's children, youth and their families, and

WHEREAS every child and youth has the right to receive timely evidence-informed mental health care to  
promote optimal development and well-being, and

WHEREAS children and youth with access to promotion, prevention, early intervention and treatment services  
have fewer mental health challenges and lead healthier lives, and

WHEREAS talking about mental health and sharing information helps change attitudes and reduce stigma, and

WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia is committed to reducing the stigma of mental illness and to  
supporting the mental health and wellness of British Columbians of all ages, including children and youth;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that May 7, 2021, shall be known as


**“Child and Youth Mental Health 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-ninth day of April, two thousand twenty-one and in the  
seventieth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

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

  
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Lieutenant Governor