



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 Columbia has a diverse and dynamic population, rich in its strengths and abilities, and

WHEREAS the successful and productive future of all British Columbians is linked to our commitment to ensure that all of our citizens have the opportunity for full and effective participation in society and to contribute to their full potential, and

WHEREAS fellow British Columbians with developmental disabilities like Down syndrome and their families, friends and supporters are members of our communities and are themselves committed to ensuring that all individuals have the opportunity to grow, develop and succeed in inclusive communities, and

WHEREAS the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities, in all aspects of community, enables all citizens to contribute their gifts, talents and abilities, and to procure their rightful place at home, school, work and in their communities, and

WHEREAS the evolving capacities of all children, including children with Down syndrome, are recognized and supported so that they have the same opportunities as other children, and

WHEREAS Down Syndrome Awareness Week is a week of educational programming and publication directed to enhancing public knowledge and awareness of the rights, capabilities and contributions of individuals with Down syndrome;

NOW KNOW YE THAT, We do by these presents proclaim and declare that November 1 to 7, 2018 shall be known as

“Down Syndrome Awareness Week”

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 thirty-first day of August, two thousand eighteen and in the sixty-seventh year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.



Attorney General
(counter signature for the Great Seal)



Lieutenant Governor