



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 the United Nations established October 11 as the annual International Day of the Girl Child (also known as “Day of the Girl”), supported by Canada and 97 other countries, and

WHEREAS universal access to quality education for every child is among the United Nations’ Millennium Development Goals supported by 189 countries, including Canada, and

WHEREAS the Day of the Girl campaign calls on communities across the globe to recognize that girls worldwide face many injustices—such as gendercide, discrimination, gender stereotypes, child marriage and lack of education—and empowers girls to fight for their rights, and

WHEREAS the federal, provincial and territorial governments in Canada are committed to working together with local and Indigenous communities to ensure marginalized women and girls reclaim their power and place in Canadian society, with special focus being paid to Indigenous and 2SLGBTQQIA+ girls who are statistically more likely to experience violence against them than other demographic groups, and

WHEREAS organizations such as the GirlKIND Foundation support providing equal opportunities for all girls by speaking out against gender-based injustices, valuing all girls’ lives, celebrating all girls’ potential and encouraging all girls to pursue their potential and dreams;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that October 11, 2021, shall be known as

“Every Girl Matters Day”

in the Province of British Columbia.

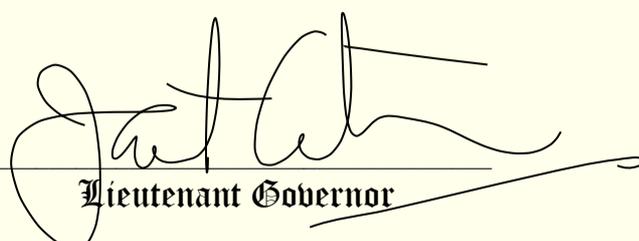
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this first day of October, two thousand twenty-one and in the seventieth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.



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



Lieutenant Governor