



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 Province wishes to recognize the warmth, compassion and dedication of British Columbia's foster families that care for children who are temporarily unable to live with their own families, and

WHEREAS foster families are an integral and valued part of a team that helps children return to their families, live with extended family or make the transition to an adoptive family, and

WHEREAS Indigenous foster families support Indigenous children to learn about and practise their Indigenous traditions, customs and language and belong to their Indigenous community, and

WHEREAS foster families from diverse cultural backgrounds support all children and youth to maintain their cultural heritage, learn about and practise their cultural traditions, customs and language, and belong to their community, and

WHEREAS fostering is a community responsibility and provides opportunities for all community members to contribute to the support of children and youth;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that October 2019 shall be known as


**“Foster Family 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 Mary Saunders, Administrator of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Vancouver, in Our Province, this nineteenth day of September, two thousand nineteen and in the sixty-eighth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

  
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Attorney General  
(counter signature for the Great Seal)

  
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Administrator