



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 heart disease and stroke are two of the three leading causes of death and remains the leading cause of hospitalization, and

WHEREAS nine in ten Canadians have at least one risk factor for heart disease or stroke, and

WHEREAS risk of heart disease and stroke can be reduced by as much as 80 percent by eating a healthy diet, being physically active and smoke-free, limiting alcohol consumption, maintaining a healthy weight and reducing stress, and

WHEREAS the Heart & Stroke Foundation aims to improve the heart and brain health of Canadians through raising awareness, early detection and screening clinics, research, advocacy for health system change, and survivor support, and

WHEREAS remarkable progress made over the past 60 years means that more than 90 percent of Canadians who have a heart attack and make it to hospital will now survive, proof that research, support and education saves lives, and

WHEREAS the Heart & Stroke Foundation's "Heart Month" campaign in February is an ongoing symbol of its commitment to work together with partners and British Columbians to reduce inequities, prevent disease, save lives and promote recovery, and

WHEREAS the Heart & Stroke Foundation is encouraging all British Columbians to recognize and reaffirm February as "Heart Month" and to together help it continue to fight heart disease and stroke and make a meaningful difference to the health and lives of Canadians everywhere – and save more lives, and

WHEREAS British Columbians will benefit from the 125,000 national volunteers working to create healthier lives, free of heart disease and stroke, in communities across Canada, and

WHEREAS the Heart and Stroke Foundation is asking all British Columbians to recognize and reaffirm February as "Heart Month";

NOW KNOW YE THAT, We do by these presents proclaim and declare that February 2018 shall be known as

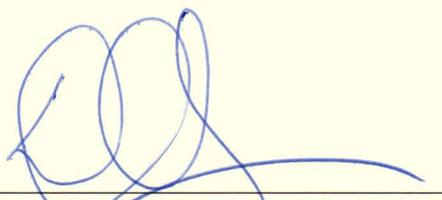
"Heart Month"

in the Province of British Columbia.

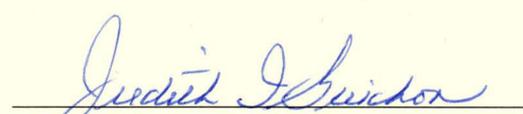
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-sixth day of January, two thousand eighteen and in the sixty-sixth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.



Attorney General
(counter signature for the Great Seal)



Lieutenant Governor