



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's libraries are partners in fostering lifelong learning and fulfill a vital role in helping people of all ages and from all backgrounds access the information and services they need to learn, work and thrive, and

WHEREAS British Columbia's libraries ensure people have equitable access to information, ideas and works of the imagination; help people improve their literacy skills; and enable them to reach their full potential, and

WHEREAS British Columbia's libraries are unique community spaces where people can explore ideas, create new content, find community connections, gain information, and discuss and share knowledge with others, and

WHEREAS British Columbia's libraries and library workers play a key role in supporting communities through the diverse collections, services, programs and digital resources they offer, and

WHEREAS libraries and library staff, board members and volunteers in British Columbia enhance the quality of life for everyone and contribute to vibrant, resilient and inclusive communities where diversity flourishes;

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

“Library Month”

and October 25, 2021, shall be known as

“School Library 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 sixteenth day of September, 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