



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 is the most culturally diverse province in Canada, and

WHEREAS the diverse cultural, ethnic, racial and religious heritage of British Columbians is a fundamental characteristic of this society and contributes greatly to life in the province, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia recognizes that Indigenous Peoples and other cultural, ethnic, racial and religious communities in British Columbia have experienced historical injustices contrary to the principles set out in British Columbia's Multiculturalism Act, and

WHEREAS systemic discrimination, unconscious bias, racism and hate continue to be challenges in this society that the government of British Columbia is committed to addressing to ensure that all British Columbians can fully and freely participate in social, economic, cultural and political life, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia is committed to fostering a harmonious society based on intercultural understanding, where diversity is respected and valued, and wishes to join with communities across the province in celebrating multiculturalism;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that November 21 to 27, 2021, shall be known as

“Multiculturalism 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 eighteenth day of November, 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