



**Canada**  
**Province of British Columbia**  
**A Proclamation**

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, King of Canada  
and His other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth

**To all to whom these presents shall come – Greeting**

WHEREAS restorative justice is a worldwide philosophy based on an Indigenous approach that views crime and conflict principally as harm done to people and relationships, and

WHEREAS restorative justice strives to provide support and opportunities for voluntary participation and communication between those affected by crime and conflict—victims, offenders and the community—to encourage accountability, reparation and a movement towards understanding, satisfaction, healing and closure, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia has recognized and values the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in relation to restorative justice practices in building safer communities, and

WHEREAS many communities in British Columbia have embraced restorative justice to address the harm caused by crime, violence and victimization, and

WHEREAS Restorative Justice Week is an opportunity to learn, educate and celebrate along with other communities across the country about restorative justice;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that November 17 to 24, 2024, shall be known as


**“Restorative Justice 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 thirteenth day of September, two thousand twenty-four and in the third year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

  
Attorney General

  
Lieutenant Governor