



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 older adults in British Columbia have helped to build this province and continue to contribute throughout their senior years, and

WHEREAS seniors are valued and important persons in British Columbia who are at risk of fatal fall-related injuries as well as non-fatal fall-related injuries that frequently result in disability, chronic pain, loss of independence and a reduced quality of life, and

WHEREAS more public education is needed on proven and effective interventions to prevent falls, including regular exercise programs which increase strength and balance, regular vision check-ups, regular medication reviews with a doctor or pharmacist, and reducing trip and slip hazards at home, and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Health, all health authorities, other members of the BC Fall Prevention Community of Practice and partners support fall prevention by working with health care professionals, injury prevention experts and the public, and

WHEREAS Seniors' Fall Prevention Awareness Week is an opportunity to raise awareness and share important information about fall prevention with the public and to share clinical practice guidelines with healthcare professionals to help reduce the risk of falls and improve the quality of life for seniors in British Columbia;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that November 1 to 7, 2021, shall be known as

“Seniors’ Fall Prevention Awareness 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 twenty-eighth day of October, 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