



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 spirituality refers to the beliefs, values, behaviours, experiences and relationships related to life's meaning and purpose, and

WHEREAS spiritual health care in the 21st century represents a wide range of spiritual, religious and/or philosophical world views, and

WHEREAS spiritual health professionals are highly qualified, dedicated members of interdisciplinary health care teams in the public health care system, according to *Spiritual Health: A Framework for British Columbia's Spiritual Health Professionals*, and

WHEREAS spiritual health professionals respond to the diverse spiritual and multifaith needs of patients, families and health care providers in British Columbia and are resolved to maintain the highest professional ethics in their vital role of providing spiritual health care, and

WHEREAS the 2021 theme of the Canadian Multifaith Federation's nation-wide celebration of spiritual health care is "Spiritual and Religious Care – An Essential Service," and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia wishes to join people across the province in recognizing spiritual health professionals and the role of spiritual health care principles in British Columbia's health care system;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that October 17 to 23, 2021, shall be known as

"Spiritual Health Care Week"

in the Province of British Columbia.

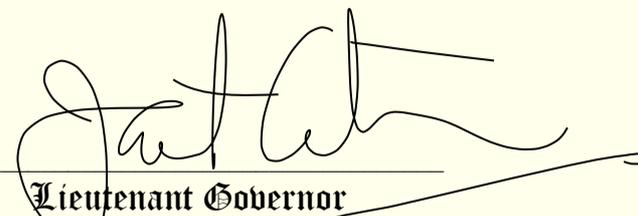
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this seventh 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