



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 a culturally diverse province comprising many peoples and communities, and

WHEREAS Tamil people have established deep roots and flourished in communities across the province, thereby enriching British Columbia's social, economic and political fabric, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia recognizes the history and essential role of the Tamil community in the province, and

WHEREAS January is an important month for Tamil British Columbians, with the Tamil Harvest Festival, Thai Pongal, taking place in January, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia acknowledges the strength and resiliency of the Tamil community in overcoming hardships and advocating for social justice and equality for all, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia encourages all citizens to learn more about the history of Tamil Canadians and reflect on the many contributions they have made in the province;

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

“Tamil Heritage Month”

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-third day of December, two thousand twenty and in the sixty-ninth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General and
Minister Responsible for Housing
(counter signature for the Great Seal)

Lieutenant Governor