



**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 providing person- and family-centred care is a priority in British Columbia, and

WHEREAS the Patient Voices Network is a community of patients, families and caregivers working together with health care partners to improve British Columbia's health care system, and

WHEREAS the Network's activities are guided by an Oversight & Advisory Committee that includes 12 patient partners and 12 representatives of health care partner organizations from every region of the province, and

WHEREAS the BC Patient Safety & Quality Council was established to bring health system stakeholders together in a collaborative partnership to promote and inform a provincially coordinated, innovative, and person- and family-centered approach to patient safety and quality improvement in British Columbia, and

WHEREAS one of the key means of improving health care is to better understand patients', residents' and families' needs, and

WHEREAS when providers have a conversation about what really matters to the people they care for, it helps them ensure that care is aligned with patient preferences and provide more person- and family-centred care, and

WHEREAS the BC Patient Safety & Quality Council, in partnership with the Patient Voices Network's Oversight & Advisory Committee and health care organizations across the province, is encouraging providers to have "What matters to you?" conversations each and every day with the people they support or care for, and

WHEREAS June 6 is the international day of action and celebration for embedding asking "What matters to you?" into daily practice;

NOW KNOW YE THAT, We do by these presents proclaim and declare that June 6, 2018 shall be known as

**“What Matters to You?” Day”**

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 seventeenth day of May, two thousand eighteen and in the sixty-seventh year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

  
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Attorney General  
(counter signature for the Great Seal)

  
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Lieutenant Governor