



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 abuse and neglect of older persons is under-recognized throughout the world, and

WHEREAS World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, in support of the United Nations' Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, recognizes the significance of elder abuse as a social issue, and

WHEREAS a better understanding of what constitutes abuse and neglect will support the development of awareness into action, and

WHEREAS individuals, community organizations and public officials must work together and share information on how to recognize signs of and how to prevent abuse or neglect of older persons, and

WHEREAS seniors are as diverse a population as the rest of society, with the same individual rights to dignity, respect, autonomy and choice and to being supported throughout the life continuum, and

WHEREAS the government of British Columbia is committed to ensuring that seniors are valued within safe communities and to supporting their contributions to a vibrant province;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that June 15, 2021, shall be known as

“World Elder Abuse Awareness 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 sixth day of May, 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