



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 community social services are vital to the quality of life of all British Columbians, and

WHEREAS community social services in British Columbia include services for children, youth and families in diverse communities, including Indigenous and racialized peoples and communities, persons with disabilities and support needs, and those dealing with mental health issues or substance use issues or both, and

WHEREAS community social services in British Columbia include multicultural, settlement and immigrant supports and services, and services that are related to restorative justice, community reintegration and rehabilitation, early childhood development, child care and early learning, community living and projects, employment training programs, and youth justice, victim service, gender-based violence programs and sexual assault centres, and

WHEREAS the availability of these supportive services improves the quality of life for everyone, increases community cohesion and makes British Columbia's communities safer and more culturally inclusive, resilient and stable, and

WHEREAS greater recognition and understanding of the critical role these services play in British Columbia's communities is needed to ensure their continued accessibility, availability and improvement;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that March 2022 shall be known as

“Community Social Services Awareness 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 first day of March, two thousand twenty-two and in the seventy-first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

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

Lieutenant Governor