

**"NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS WEEK"**

**WHEREAS** *over 4,400 Canadians need an organ transplant and, every year, an average of 250 people die waiting; and*

**WHEREAS** *while 90 per cent of Canadians support organ donation; yet fewer than 23 per cent have registered their decision to donate; and*

**WHEREAS** *Bill C-202 enacted National Organ Donor Week in Canada in 1997; and*

**WHEREAS** *only through education and increased public awareness can individuals be encouraged and inspired to join Canada's Lifeline and register to donate their organs and tissues; and*

**NOW, THEREFORE** *I do hereby proclaim the week of April 21<sup>st</sup> to April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 as "NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS WEEK" on the HOMELANDS of the SONGHEES AND ESQUIMALT PEOPLE in the CITY OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, *I hereunto set my hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, Two Thousand and Nineteen.*

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