CITY OF VICTORIA

PROCLAMATION

"FIRE PREVENTION WEEK"

WHEREAS the 2019 fire prevention theme for this period is "Not every hero wears a cape. Plan and practice your escape"; and

WHEREAS fire losses in Canada, despite marked improvement, remain unacceptably high in comparison with those of other industrialized nations thereby necessitating improved fire prevention measures; and

WHEREAS the needless loss of lives and property as a result of fire could be significantly reduced or eliminated by individual and community fire prevention programs; and

WHEREAS most fires are caused by human carelessness and are both predictable and preventable if individuals are knowledgeable about fire prevention and safety; and

WHEREAS the members of the Fire Service and other public agencies in combining their talents and efforts can ensure a successful fight against those conditions that cause fire; and

WHEREAS each citizen must earnestly desire to provide a fire-safe place in which to live and work by eliminating those fire hazards that cause the loss of life, property, employment and the resources by which we exist; and

WHEREAS the local efforts of the Fire Service are supported by the activities of organizations such as Fire Prevention Canada, the Council of Canadian Fire Marshals and Fire Commissioners, the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs, the Provincial Fire Chiefs Associations, and various associations of firefighters, fire instructors, and fire prevention officers.

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the week of October 6 – 12th, 2019 as "FIRE PREVENTION WEEK" on the HOMELANDS of the Lekwungen speaking SONGHEES AND ESQUIMALT PEOPLE in the CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 19th day of September Two Thousand and Nineteen.

Sponsored by:
Nick Lajoie
Fire Prevention Officer

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
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