## "RESPIRATORY THERAPY WEEK"

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Respiratory therapists have also played important roles behind the front lines of the pandemic. They have been instrumental in preparing at every level: advising government, mobilizing supplies, designing pandemic ventilators and adjusting protocols to best function under the parameters of this new, highly contagious infection. And, they have continued to provide essential care to a wide range of patients across our health care system who have not been afflicted by COVID-19; and

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the week of October 25<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 as "RESPIRATORY THERAPY 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  $8^{th}$  day of October Two Thousand and Twenty.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA Sponsored by: Andrew West Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists