



## CITY OF VICTORIA

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# PROCLAMATION

### **“CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH”**

**WHEREAS** *Children are the foundation for a prosperous and innovative society, and the foundation for a child's growth and development is established when the community takes responsibility for creating healthy environments where our children can thrive; and*

**WHEREAS** *All children deserve to have a safe, stable, nurturing home and community to foster their healthy growth and development; and*

**WHEREAS** *Child abuse and neglect is an important societal concern that may affect the long-term health and well being of not only children, but also the adults they become; and*

**WHEREAS** *Child abuse and neglect impacts our entire society and our society's future; and*

**WHEREAS** *Child abuse prevention is a shared responsibility and finding solutions requires the involvement and collaboration of citizens, organizations and government entities.*

**NOW, THEREFORE** *I do hereby proclaim the month of April 2021 as “**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**” 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 twenty-second day of April, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.*

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**LISA HELPS**  
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