



CITY OF VICTORIA

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.*

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
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