

## CITY OF VICTORIA

## PROCLAMATION

## "GIVE A SHOT MONTH"

- **WHEREAS** About three quarters of the world's population is still unvaccinated and unvaccinated people are over-represented in developing nations. More contagious variants of Covid will continue to arise in these populous, unvaccinated nations and spread to the rest of the world, especially in light of loosening travel restrictions. Their future is our future, and our future is their future; and
- **WHEREAS** The federal government recently committed to matching all donations to the UNICEF GIVE A VAX campaign (unicef.ca/giveavax). The global GAVI Alliance (GAVI.org) GAVI a co-leader of COVAX, the global effort on equitable access to COVID-19 vaccinations, is also running a donation campaign, and
- *WHEREAS* Recognizing with gratitude our having received Covid-19 vaccinations, we need to be aware of and support vaccination initiatives such as those of UNICEF and GAVI, in developing nations,

## NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the Month of August, 2021 as "GIVE A SHOT 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

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