



CITY OF VICTORIA

PROCLAMATION

“DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH”

WHEREAS *Dyslexia is a neurobiological learning disability that is characterized by an unexpected difficulty in learning to read. With proper diagnosis, instruction and support, individuals with dyslexia can learn to read accurately and fluently and lead a successful life; and*

WHEREAS *Dyslexia is hereditary and not due to a lack of intelligence or desire to learn; and*

WHEREAS *Dyslexia affects 20 percent of the population and represents 80 to 90 percent of all those with learning disabilities; and*

WHEREAS *Awareness initiative across British Columbia will empower families and educators, and advocate for resources in our schools so students with dyslexia can achieve reading success.*

NOW, THEREFORE *I do hereby proclaim October 2021 as “DYSLEXIA AWARENESS 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 9th day of September, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.*

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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