

## CITY OF VICTORIA

## **PROCLAMATION**

## "FIRE PREVENTION WEEK"

the 2022 fire prevention theme for this period is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape"; and

WHEREAS fire losses in Canada, despite marked improvement, remain unacceptably high in comparison with those of other industrialized nations thereby necessitating improved fire prevention

measures; and

- **WHEREAS** the needless loss of lives and property as a result of fire could be significantly reduced or eliminated by individual and community fire prevention programs; and
- **WHEREAS** most fires are caused by human carelessness and are both predictable and preventable if individuals are knowledgeable about fire prevention and safety;
- **WHEREAS** the members of the Fire Service and other public agencies in combining their talents and efforts can ensure a successful fight against those conditions that cause fire; and
- **WHEREAS** each citizen must earnestly desire to provide a fire-safe place in which to live and work by eliminating those fire hazards that cause the loss of life, property, employment and resources by which we exist; and
- WHEREAS the local efforts of the Fire Service are supported by activities of organizations such as Fire Prevention Canada, the Council of Canadian Fire Marshals and Fire Commissioners, the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs, the Provincial Fire Chiefs Associations and various associations of firefighters, fire instructor and fire prevention officers.
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim October 9<sup>th</sup>- October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as "FIRE PREVENTION 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 September, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

WHEREAS

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