

**“ALS AWARENESS MONTH”**

**(Lou Gehrig's Disease)**

**WHEREAS** *ALS is a rapidly progressive fatal motor neuron disease with unknown cause or cure; and*

**WHEREAS** *over 400 British Columbians at any given times are living with ALS; and*

**WHEREAS** *ALS, also known as Low Gehrig's disease can strike anyone, regardless of age, gender or circumstances; and*

**WHEREAS** *recent advances in ALS research have produced promising leads and we must continue this crucial work; and*

**WHEREAS** *the Victoria Chapter of the ALS Society of BC is dedicated to providing direct support to ALS patients, along with their families and caregivers, to ensure the best quality of life possible while living with ALS.*

**NOW, THEREFORE** *I do hereby proclaim the month of June 2019 as “ALS 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of June Two Thousand and Nineteen.*

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**LISA HELPS**  
**MAYOR**  
**CITY OF VICTORIA**  
**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

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