

## PROCLAMATION

## WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY March 21, 2025

WHEREAS: World Down Syndrome Day is an international observance resolved by the

General Assembly of the United Nations to raise public awareness of Down syndrome and promote equitable treatment of individuals with Down syndrome in accordance with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with

Disability; and

WHEREAS: at this time we take an opportunity to highlight the unique abilities,

strengths and needs of our community members with Down syndrome; and

WHEREAS: individuals with Down syndrome have tremendous potential to live full and

fulfilling lives as contributing members of our community; and

WHEREAS: as Canadians, we celebrate our similarities, as well as our differences,

knowing we are richer, as a result; and

WHEREAS: the City of Nanaimo values our citizens with Down syndrome and their

families and supports the well-being of all individuals with Down

syndrome so that they may achieve their fullest potential.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Leonard Kog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2025 as:

WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Krog M A Y O R

Dated this 5th day of February 2025

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