



# Proclamation

## COMMUNITY INCLUSION MONTH

- Whereas:* Community Inclusion Month is an annual celebration of community inclusion throughout British Columbia that focuses attention on inclusive housing and the importance of supporting the inclusion of all British Columbians; and
- Whereas:* in 2010, Canada ratified the United Nations' historic Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, which includes Article 19 – Living independently and being included in the community; and
- Whereas:* many people with intellectual and developmental disabilities face barriers like poverty, isolation, and have trouble finding housing that is safe, affordable and accessible; and
- Whereas:* inclusive housing considers the unique needs of all people and builds strong, supportive, accessible and more resilient communities where everyone belongs, feels valued and has the chance to contribute; and
- Whereas:* the City of Prince George is committed to enhancing inclusion, thus ensuring that persons with developmental disabilities can participate fully in society.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,

I proclaim **October 2021** as:

**“COMMUNITY INCLUSION MONTH”**

in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall