



Proclamation

GAMBLING AWARENESS WEEK

- Whereas:* the BC Responsible and Problem Gambling Program (BCRPGP) has designated Gambling Awareness Week; and
- Whereas:* problem gambling is a public health issue affecting people of all ages, genders, and ethnic backgrounds; and
- Whereas:* problem gambling has significant societal and economic costs for individuals, families, businesses, and communities; and
- Whereas:* problem gambling is preventable and treatable, and treatment is effective in minimizing harm to both individuals and society as a whole; and
- Whereas:* numerous individuals, professionals, and organizations have dedicated their efforts to educating the public about responsible gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment for problem gambling; and
- Whereas:* the BCRPGP invites all Prince George residents to participate in Gambling Awareness Week and encourages all citizens to support the BCRPGP in its efforts to have conversations with friends, families, communities and clients about responsible gambling.

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

I proclaim **October 18 – 25, 2020** as:

“GAMBLING AWARENESS WEEK”

in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall