

## 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 2023 as:

"COMMUNITY INCLUSION MONTH"

in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Simon Yu City of Prince George