

PROCLAMATION

World Down Syndrome Day March 21st, 2023

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 celebrate the diverse 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 District of Oak Bay 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 Kevin Murdoch, Mayor of The District of Oak Bay do hereby proclaim Tuesday March 21st, 2023, as “**World Down Syndrome Day**” in The District of Oak Bay.



Kevin Murdoch, Mayor
The District of Oak Bay