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PROCLAMATION

International Day of Persons with Diversabilities

WHEREAS more than one billion people – about 15 per cent of the world's population – live with some form of disability; and

WHEREAS around the world, persons with a range of disabilities face physical, social, economic and attitudinal barriers that exclude full and effective participation as equal members of society; and

WHEREAS evidence and experience show that when barriers to inclusion are removed and persons with disabilities participate fully in societal life, the entire community benefits; and

WHEREAS the UN General Assembly has promoted an International Day of Persons with Disabilities since 1992, with this year's theme being "*Achieving 17 Goals for the Future We Want*";

NOW THEREFORE I, Nils Jensen, Mayor of the District of Oak Bay, do hereby proclaim December 3, 2016 as ***International Day of Persons with Diversabilities*** in Oak Bay.

Nils Jensen, Mayor
District of Oak Bay

