



## **PROCLAMATION**

**WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY**  
**March 21, 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 highlight the unique 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

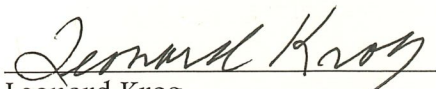
WHEREAS: as Canadians, we celebrate our similarities, as well as our differences, knowing we are richer, as a result; and

WHEREAS: the City of Nanaimo 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, Leonard Kog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2023 as:

**WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY**

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

  
Leonard Kog  
MAYOR



Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023