

## PROCLAMATION

## OPERATION SMILE CANADA The Longest Day of SMILES June 20, 2021

WHEREAS: Operation Smile Canada announces June 20, 2021 as the Longest Day of SMILES to raise funds and awareness; and

WHEREAS: Operation Smile is a global medical charity helping to improve the health and lives of children in more than 60 countries. We have provided more than 300,000 children and young adults born with cleft lip, cleft palate and other facial differences with free life-changing surgical procedures and dental care. We train doctors and local medical professionals, donate medical equipment and supplies and provide year-round medical treatments through a network of comprehensive care centres; and

WHEREAS: Every three minutes a child is born with a cleft lip, a cleft palate, or both. This statistic does not change even during a pandemic; and

WHEREAS: The Longest Day of SMILES will unite Canadians across the nation to raise funds, awareness, and share smiles, with each other, for children born with cleft conditions; and

WHEREAS: On June 20, 2021, we encourage residents of Nanaimo to visit longestdayofsmiles.ca to learn more.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim June 20, 2021 as:

OPERATION SMILE CANADA~The Longest Day of SMILES

in the City of Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Leonard Krog M A Y O R

Dated this 4th day of June 2021

