

## PROCLAMATION

## NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

WHEREAS: May 5th is the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered

Indigenous Women and Girls; and

WHEREAS: this movement gives voice to Indigenous women and calls for an end to

the disproportionate violence experienced by them, their daughters,

sisters, matriarchs; and

WHEREAS: in North America, Indigenous women and Two-Spirit people are up

to 10 times more likely to be murdered or sexually assaulted; and

WHEREAS: everyone is encouraged to hang and wear red as a means of drawing

attention to gendered and racialized crimes against Indigenous peoples;

and

WHEREAS: this year on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Nanaimo Family Life Association ~ Indigenous

Informed Sexual Assault Response Program is working together with community support services to host a community walk and gathering. To

bring awareness and healing for all those that attend.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as:

NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS FOR MISSING AND MURDERED

INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Krog MAYOR

Dated this 26th day of April 2023