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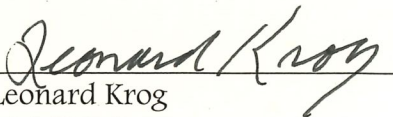
NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK JULY 19 ~ 25, 2026

- WHEREAS: the mission of the Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in British Columbia is one too many; and
- WHEREAS: most drownings are preventable in a Water Smart community, and only through Water Smart education and a healthy respect for the potential danger that any body of water may present can we truly enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and
- WHEREAS: the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of Nanaimo to supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to always wear a lifejacket when boating; and
- WHEREAS: the United Nations General Assembly passed the UN Resolution on Drowning Prevention (A/75/L.76) and named July 25 of each year as World Drowning Prevention Day; and
- WHEREAS: Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 19th-25th, 2026 National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim July 19 - 25, 2026 as:

NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.


Leonard Krog
MAYOR

Dated this 24th day of June 2026

