

## Canada Province of British Columbia

## A Proclamation

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, King of Canada and His other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth

## To all to whom these presents shall come — Greeting

WHEREAS Ismaili CIVIC is a global program that unites the Shia Ismaili Muslim community across the world around its centuries-old tradition of serving humanity through voluntary service to improve the quality of life for everyone in local communities worldwide, and

WHEREAS since 2017, Ismaili CIVIC volunteers in Canada have worked with their local civil society partners to contribute their time, knowledge and skills for the betterment of all, including support for local food banks, blood drives and tree planting initiatives, and

WHEREAS 2021 marked the community's inaugural global celebration of the last Sunday in September each year as Global Ismaili CIVIC Day, and the celebrations in British Columbia focus on activities related to environmental stewardship and social relief efforts, and

WHEREAS in British Columbia, Ismaili CIVIC Day is an opportunity to recognize that this endeavour reflects the British Columbian ethic of civic responsibility and community engagement and exemplifies Islam's core values of service, peace, compassion and care for the vulnerable;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that September 24, 2023, shall be known as

## "Ismaili CIVIC Day"

in the Province of British Columbia.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-eighth day of August, two thousand twenty-three and in the first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General

Lieutenant Governor