

## PROCLAMATION

## WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

- 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 Duncan 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, Mayor Michelle Staples of the City of Duncan, British Columbia,

do hereby declare Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 shall be known as "World Down Syndrome Day"

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day March, 2020.

Michelle Staples, Mayor



CITY OF DUNCAN