

## **PROCLAMATION**

## NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK PROCLAMATION JULY 16<sup>TH</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

WHEREAS the mission of 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 genuinely enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of Langford 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 25th of each year as

World Drowning Prevention Day; and

WHEREAS Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 16th - 22nd, 2023 National

Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the

hundreds of lives that could be saved this year; and

NOW THEREFORE I, Scott Goodmanson, Mayor of the City of Langford, do hereby proclaim the week of July 16 – 22, 2023 as "NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK" within the City of Langford and do commend its thoughtful recognition to all citizens of our municipality.

MAYOR

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