



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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## PROCLAMATION

### “DEAFBLIND AWARENESS MONTH”

June 1 – 30, 2022

- WHEREAS** Members of the deafblind community hope Canadians pause to reflect on deafblindness when they see many familiar landmarks in Canada lit up in blue to celebrate National Deafblind Awareness Month during June.; and
- WHEREAS** With organizations now working together with a single voice, there is greater opportunity to highlight both the abilities and challenges of the estimated 65,000 Canadians who are deafblind; and
- WHEREAS** June is also the birth month of Helen Keller, one of the most internationally recognized people who lived with deafblindness; and
- WHEREAS** The annual National Deafblind Awareness Month initiative is led by groups and organizations in several provinces that support people who are deafblind; and
- WHEREAS** The goal is to share information about the unique disability of deafblindness and the supports available through Intervenor Services with members of the public; and
- WHEREAS** The Yarn Bombing initiative is a largescale global tactile arts project to symbolize the coming together of people in the field of deafblindness, with the goal of raising awareness and knowledge about this unique disability.
- THEREFORE,** I, Barbara Desjardins, Mayor of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, do hereby proclaim June 1 – 30, 2022 as

#### Deafblind Awareness Month

In the Municipality of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia.

Barbara Desjardins  
Mayor