

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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PROCLAMATION

"PRIDE WEEK

June 23 – July 2, 2022

- **WHEREAS** Esquimalt celebrates the diversity that strengthens our community; and
- WHEREAS Pride Week is a time to celebrate the diversity and strength of the LGBTTIQ2S (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer and 2-Spirited) Communities; and
- **WHEREAS** Pride Week is a way to honour, respect and celebrate all people regardless of gender identity, gender expression or sexual orientation, to recognize our differences and uniqueness and to promote and build community through education and understanding; and
- WHEREAS The Township of Esquimalt promises to provide hope and support for our youth and all community members who experience bullying and harassment based on their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression; and
- WHEREAS The intent of Pride Week is to encourage Esquimalt to be a welcoming place for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities to attend school, to work, to raise a family, to start a business, to live in a safe, and supportive environment.
- **THEREFORE,** I, Barbara Desjardins, Mayor of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, do hereby proclaim June 23 July 2, 2022, as

PRIDE WEEK

In the Municipality of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia.

Darbara Desjardins

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