



LADYSMITH

TOWN OF LADYSMITH

## PROCLAMATION

### International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia

**WHEREAS:** *All people in British Columbia have the right to realize their potential regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity and expression, and to live at all times in conditions of dignity, respect and peace; and*

**WHEREAS:** *Despite recent efforts towards greater inclusion of LGBT people, homophobia and transphobia are still present in society; and*

**WHEREAS:** *The goal of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia is to increase understanding and visibility for members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community; and*

**WHEREAS:** *The Town of Ladysmith is committed to the belief that equal opportunity and treatment should exist for all people, and all individuals should be valued and celebrated for their unique identities and contributions.*

**THEREFORE,** *I, Aaron Stone, Mayor of the Town of Ladysmith, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2023 as “International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia” in the Town of Ladysmith, British Columbia.*

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Mayor A. Stone

March 21, 2023