



# Proclamation

## Community Inclusion Month

October 2025

**WHEREAS** every October, British Columbians across the province recognize and celebrate the contributions and potential of people with developmental disabilities during Community Inclusion Month; and

**WHEREAS** in 2010, Canada ratified the United Nations' historic Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and

**WHEREAS** in 2018, the government of British Columbia introduced the Re-Imagining Community Inclusion Initiative, which envisions a pathway forward through inclusive housing, employment, health and well-being and self-determined Indigenous strategies; and

**WHEREAS** a thriving community requires the inclusion and participation of all its members, and inclusion of individuals in all aspects of society enables all people to share their skills, talents, and cultures, and to secure their rightful place at home, at work, at school and in the community; and

**WHEREAS** Community Living BC, a provincial Crown corporation, will be joining individuals, families, service providers and others to celebrate Community Inclusion Month and to raise public awareness about inclusion and support people with diverse abilities to participate fully in their communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Brenda Locke, do hereby declare October 2025 as "Community Inclusion Month" in the City of Surrey.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Locke", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mayor Brenda Locke  
City of Surrey