



PROCLAMATION

“PRIDE PARADE” & “PRIDE IN THE PARK” DAY

- WHEREAS** *We affirm the right of all of our citizens to be treated with dignity and respect; and*
- WHEREAS** *We recognize that individuals of varying gender identities have been subject to discrimination and social exclusion; and*
- WHEREAS** *We appreciate the importance of the Pride Parade and Pride in the Park events in helping 2SLGBTQI+ individuals to publicly and safely celebrate their uniqueness; and*
- WHEREAS** *We value the contributions of individuals of all sexual orientations to our local community; and*
- WHEREAS** *We proudly strive to make the City of Courtenay a highly inclusive community, a city for all people, created for and by residents with diverse identities, experiences, and aspirations;*
- NOW THEREFORE,** *I, Bob Wells, Mayor of the City of Courtenay hereby proclaim August 26th, 2023, as “PRIDE PARADE” & “PRIDE IN THE PARK” DAY in the City of Courtenay.*

Mayor Bob Wells