



## PROCLAMATION

### BC HERITAGE WEEK

February 16 - 22, 2026

**WHEREAS:** heritage is the foundation of community identity, connecting citizens with the stories, traditions, and experiences that continue to shape the District of North Saanich;

**WHEREAS:** the District of North Saanich recognizes the importance of protecting and celebrating our rich and diverse heritage by proclaiming BC Heritage Week;

**WHEREAS:** the theme for BC Heritage Week 2026 is Heritage: Stir the Pot;

**WHEREAS:** BC Heritage Week is held to recognize the histories that make the foundation of our community, connecting citizens through shared values and creating a place of pride and social well-being;

**WHEREAS:** heritage creates and encourages economic activity, job creation, and tourism;

**WHEREAS:** our community is enriched and sustained by its heritage places and spaces;

**WHEREAS:** our community celebrates the past and future by embracing, exploring, and enjoying our enduring heritage;

**WHEREAS:** preserving heritage places is a key element of building a sustainable community;

**WHEREAS:** we acknowledge that all members of our community contribute to our rich and diverse cultural heritage;

**WHEREAS:** we recognize that our cultural and natural heritage are irreplaceable sources of life and inspiration, and identity; and,

**WHEREAS:** The District of North Saanich supports initiatives that celebrate heritage, recognize cultural contributions, and encourage active community participation.

**NOW THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Jones, of the District of North Saanich DO HEREBY PROCLAIM February 16 - 22, 2026, as "HERITAGE WEEK" in the District of North Saanich.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

Peter Jones, Mayor

Lyndsay K. Alexander,  
Deputy Corporate Officer