



P R O C L A M A T I O N

CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

PRIDE WEEK AUGUST 8 – 16, 2025

- WHEREAS** Human and civil rights are accorded to everyone in a free and democratic society; and
- WHEREAS** Homophobia, transphobia, and hateful rhetoric and actions continue to actively threaten the peace, well-being, and lives of Two-Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, and Asexual people, as well as people who identify with the community yet cannot be restricted by a label; and
- WHEREAS** New Westminster City Council's first strategic priority is Community Belonging and Connecting, which is viewed through a context of diversity, equity, inclusion, and anti-racism; and
- WHEREAS** Pride Week is a place for 2SLGBTQQIA+ people to show up as fully themselves in their community, in the spirit of diversity, equality, inclusion, and intersectional pride, which contributes to building a more vibrant, accepting city and society; and
- WHEREAS** 2SLGBTQQIA+ people belong in our community; their lives matter.
- NOW
THEREFORE** I, Patrick Johnstone, Mayor of the City of New Westminster do hereby proclaim August 8 – 16, 2025 as

PRIDE WEEK

In the City of New Westminster, Province of British Columbia.



Patrick Johnstone
MAYOR

