

## Proclamation

## INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA AND TRANSPHOBIA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The Quebec Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms recognizes that no one can be discriminated against on

the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity or expression;

WHEREAS: Quebec is a society open to everyone, including lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans people (LGBTQ+) and to all

other people who identify with sexual diversity and the multiplicity of gender identities and expressions;

WHEREAS: Despite recent efforts towards greater inclusion of LGBT people, homophobia and transphobia are still

present in society.

WHEREAS: May 17th is the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, is celebrated as such in many

countries and is the result of a Quebec-based initiative promoted by Fondation Émergence starting in 2003.

WHEREAS: There is reason to support the efforts of Fondation Émergence in holding this day;

## NOW, THEREFORE:

I, Doug Kobayashi, Mayor of Colwood, do hereby proclaim that May 17th, 2023, shall be known as

International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia

in the City of Colwood.

Mayor Doug Kobayashi

Colwood

