



Proclamation

CAREFREE SOCIETY & HANDY DART MONTH

- Whereas:* In 1971 citizens of Prince George recognized a need for transportation services for persons with disabilities; and
- Whereas:* with donations of materials and labour from local businesses for an office and shop, and donations of vehicles, Carefree Society, began operating in November 1971 as a non-profit transportation service for persons with disabilities; and
- Whereas:* in 1981, Carefree Society was awarded the first contract for Handy Dart Service with the City of Prince George and the Urban Transit Authority; and
- Whereas:* in 1982, the society's Custom Transit System model for a small "dial-a-ride" transportation system was adopted by the Urban Transit Authority, now known as BC Transit; and
- Whereas:* the health and well-being of persons with disabilities depends on the successful operation of Handy Dart service in Prince George; and
- Whereas:* Carefree Society has been providing outstanding Handy Dart service within the City of Prince George for the past 50 years.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim **November 2021** as:
"CAREFREE SOCIETY AND HANDY DART MONTH"
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall