



Proclamation

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

- Whereas:* death by drug overdose may impact people in our community from any walk of life; and
- Whereas:* between January and June this year, 24 residents of Prince George have lost their lives due to drug toxicity; and
- Whereas:* we acknowledge the grief of all those who have lost a loved one to drug overdose or experienced a permanent injury as a result of overdose; and
- Whereas:* the tragedy of death by drug overdose is preventable and we encourage our community to learn the signs of overdose and how to help; and
- Whereas:* each year International Overdose Awareness Day creates an opportunity for the community to talk about the impacts of drug overdose death, reduce stigma through inclusion and education, and remember the lives lost to drug overdose.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim **August 31, 2021** as:
"INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY"
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall
City of Prince George