



PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL DENTAL HYGIENISTS WEEK

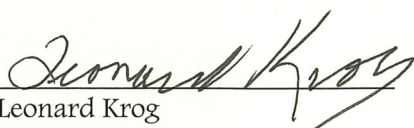
April 4 ~ 10, 2023

- WHEREAS: 59% of Canadian children and 96% of adults have experienced cavities, and 21% of Canadian adults have experienced periodontal (gum) issues; and
- WHEREAS: research shows a direct link between oral health and overall health and well-being, such as periodontal disease being linked to several serious illnesses, including lung disease, diabetes, and heart disease; and
- WHEREAS: oral health issues are easily preventable and treatable, and Canadians, especially children and seniors, can be greatly assisted through early detection and intervention; and
- WHEREAS: dental hygiene is the 6th largest registered health profession in Canada, with more than 31,000 registered dental hygienists working in a variety of settings, with people of all ages, addressing issues related to oral health; and
- WHEREAS: greater awareness of proper oral health practices and the need to regularly visit a dental professional is paramount to ensuring Canadians lead healthier and happier lives; and
- WHEREAS: promoting the importance of the issues and celebrating the successes of the profession and contributions of dental hygienists will lead to increased public awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim April 4 ~ 10, 2023 as:

NATIONAL DENTAL HYGIENISTS WEEK

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.


Leonard Krog
MAYOR

Dated this 7th day of March 2023

