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**B.C.'s Seniors Advocate Statement on International Day of Older Persons**

VICTORIA – “October 1 marks a special day for seniors when we celebrate the United Nations International Day for Older Persons as well as National Seniors Day in Canada.

“Since 1990, when the United Nations General Assembly declared the first of October as a day to recognize older persons, this day has been one of celebration and appreciation for the experience, wisdom, and resilience of our seniors and of those who have lived through and persevered many global challenges.

“On the International Day for Older Persons and National Seniors Day, I invite all British Columbians to take the time to celebrate the seniors in our lives and our communities.”

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