

WHEREAS the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia; and

WHEREAS the years leading up to the 2010 Winter Games and the Games themselves provide a unique opportunity to communicate Olympic and Paralympic values to children and youth across Canada, and allow them to learn more about, and reflect on, issues related to sport and healthy living, culture and multiculturalism, sustainability and social responsibility; and

WHEREAS the premise of Paralympic education is to share the Paralympic values of determination, courage, inspiration and equality using sports activities and athletes' stories to create understanding and develop positive attitudes toward persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS it is of prime importance to generate interest and pride in the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Games among Newfoundland and Labrador students, teachers, and parents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador recognizes the importance of the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Games and its valuable contribution to sport and healthy living, culture and multiculturalism, sustainability and social responsibility;

NOW KNOW YE THAT we do by those present, on this twenty first day of October, two thousand and nine, proclaim and declare November 2 – November 6^{th} , 2009, as **Canadian Paralympic School Week** in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Honourable Darin King, M.H.A

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