



PROCLAMATION
Wrongful Conviction Day
October 2, 2026

WHEREAS, Wrongful Conviction Day is recognized internationally on October 2nd each year to acknowledge the tremendous personal, social, and legal costs associated with wrongful criminal convictions; and

WHEREAS, this day serves to recognize the individuals who have endured the life-altering consequences of being wrongfully convicted, and to honour their strength, resilience, and pursuit of justice; and

WHEREAS, wrongful convictions not only devastate the lives of the individuals affected but also undermine public confidence in the justice system and inflict harm on families and communities; and

WHEREAS, Wrongful Conviction Day exists to inform and educate the broader community about the causes, consequences, and complications of wrongful convictions, while also promoting dialogue, accountability, and reform to prevent future injustices; and

WHEREAS, the International Wrongful Conviction Day Committee, along with many organizations worldwide, leads efforts to raise awareness and advocate for the rights of those wrongfully convicted; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Nancy Dicks, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2026, as “**Wrongful Conviction Day**” in the Town of New Glasgow.

Mayor Nancy Dicks