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**Sunita Dhir, MLA for Vancouver-Langara:**

I rise today to recognize May 6 as Naturopaths Day in British Columbia, as officially proclaimed by the province, and to acknowledge the important role naturopathic doctors play in supporting the health and well-being of people across our province.

Naturopathic doctors are highly trained, regulated health professionals who complete extensive post-secondary education and clinical training before entering practice. Many British Columbians rely on them for ongoing patient-centred care, including prevention, chronic disease management and support for complex health needs.

Their work reflects key priorities of our health care system, helping people stay well, supporting continuity of care and complementing the broader network of providers delivering care across the province.

In rural and remote communities, naturopathic doctors are pivotal in providing increased access to care for patients. British Columbia has been at the forefront of regulating naturopathic doctors in Canada, reflecting a long-standing commitment to ensuring safe, qualified and accountable care for patients.

Today is an opportunity to recognize the contributions of naturopathic doctors and the important role they play in supporting healthier communities across British Columbia.

I would also like to congratulate the association of British Columbia Naturopathic Doctors on their leadership and ongoing commitment to patient care and community well-being.

**Sources:**

- <https://www.leg.bc.ca/hansard-content/Debates/43rd2nd/20260506pm-House-Blues.htm>
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