

PROCLAMATION

WORLD PVNH DISORDER AWARENESS DAY August 7, 2020

WHEREAS: August 7 has been declared World PVNH Disorder Awareness Day, as

created in Vancouver, BC in 2012 by PVNH Support & Awareness founder, Yolaine Dupont, and recognized by PVNH experts in nine

countries including Canada; and

WHEREAS: PVNH (Periventricular Nodular Heterotopia) is a rare neuronal

migration disorder that affects babies, children and adults alike around

the world; and

WHEREAS: PVNH can be associated with a spectrum of clinical manifestations from

mild to debilitating, including seizures in up to 90% PVNH-affected individuals and motor, cognitive and developmental delays, often involving issues with multiple organs and may be fatal if its symptoms

are left unrecognized and untreated; and

WHEREAS: The City of Nanaimo is proud to support PVNH Support & Awareness, a

Vancouver-based international patient organization that offers support to more than 550 individuals and families affected by PVNH and other neuronal heterotopia disorders in Canada and in 33 other countries

worldwide; and

WHEREAS: PVNH is not known to most medical professionals; and

WHEREAS increased awareness, education and research are needed to find more

effective treatments and therapies for side effects and, ultimately, a cure.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby

proclaim August 7, 2020 as:

WORLD PVNH DISORDER AWARENESS DAY

in the City of Nanaimo.

Leonard Krog M A Y O R

Dated this 31st day of July 2020