

## PROCLAMATION

## APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY May 14, 2022

WHEREAS: childhood apraxia of speech is a challenging speech disorder that affects

nearly 1-in-1,000 children; and

WHEREAS: children with childhood apraxia of speech will not learn to speak without

frequent, intensive and appropriate speech therapy; and

WHEREAS: a lack of appropriate speech therapy intervention may impact not only

communication but also individual outcomes in education, independence,

mental wellness and employment; and

WHEREAS: public awareness about childhood apraxia of speech in Nanaimo is essential

for families of children with childhood apraxia of speech and the professionals who support them the best advocate for needed services for

children learning to use their own voice; and

WHEREAS: our highest respect goes to children with childhood apraxia of speech and to

their families for their effort, determination and resilience in the face of

obstacles.

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

May 14, 2022 as:

APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Krog M A Y O R

Dated this 16th day of February 2022