

PROCLAMATION

EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH March 26, 2022

WHEREAS: Purple Day is celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy

Awareness Month, to increase the knowledge and understanding of epilepsy that will improve the quality of life of British Columbians living

with epilepsy; and

WHEREAS: Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl

from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were

not alone; and

WHEREAS: people in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple

and host events in support of epilepsy awareness on Purple Day; and

WHEREAS: there are over 50,000 people in British Columbia, over 380,000 people in

Canada and over 65 million people worldwide living with epilepsy; and

WHEREAS: the onset of epilepsy can occur at any age and stage of life and does not

discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic

status, geographic location, or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS: Purple Day is a health promotion effort that encourages people to raise

awareness of epilepsy so that we can create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and understand how we can all come together to

make the world a better place.

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

March 26, 2022 as:

EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Krog MAYOR

Dated this 8th day of February 2022