



PROCLAMATION

HEART VALVE DISEASE AWARENESS DAY

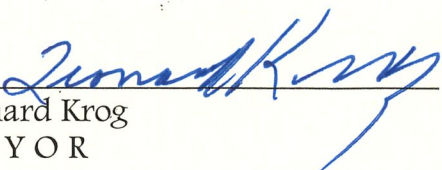
February 22, 2026

- WHEREAS: heart valve disease, such as aortic/mitral/tricuspid stenosis and regurgitation, is a serious, but often under-recognized health condition affecting thousands of British Columbians each year; and
- WHEREAS: early detection and timely treatment greatly improve recovery, quality of life, and survival; and
- WHEREAS: many residents may mistake symptoms, such as shortness of breath, fatigue, or dizziness, for normal age-related decline; and
- WHEREAS: increasing public awareness through community education, screening initiatives, and shared personal stories can help individuals seek care earlier; and
- WHEREAS: Edwards Lifesciences (Canada) Inc. and Heart Valve Voice Canada are working collaboratively to support awareness and empower communities across the province.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2026 as:

HEART VALVE DISEASE AWARENESS DAY

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.


Leonard Krog
MAYOR

Dated this 31st day of October 2025

