

PROCLAMATION

MS AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2025

WHEREAS: multiple sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling neurological disease affecting an estimated 1 in 400 Canadians and approximately 90,000 across the country; and

WHEREAS: multiple sclerosis symptoms vary widely and may cause symptoms such as extreme fatigue, lack of coordination, weakness, tingling, impaired sensation, vision problems, bladder problems, cognitive impairment, and mood changes; and

WHEREAS: MS is thought to be caused by a combination of genetic, environmental, and lifestyle risk factors; and

WHEREAS: MS Canada is the only national organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people affected by MS; and

WHEREAS: annual fundraising events such as the MS Walk, MS Bike, and A & W Canada's Burgers to Beat MS campaign support programs to enhance the lives of people affected by multiple sclerosis and help support MS research in Canada; and

WHEREAS: since 1948, MS Canada has contributed \$224 million towards MS research; and is grateful for the dedication and commitment of its supporters and volunteers that has made this possible; and

WHEREAS: together we will find ways to connect and empower the MS community to create positive change and see a world free of multiple sclerosis.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim May 2025 as:

MS AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Krog M A Y O R

Dated this 9th day of April 2025

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