



PROCLAMATION

MS Awareness Month

- 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 lead to problems with numbness, coordination, vision and speech, as well as extreme fatigue and even paralysis; and*
- WHEREAS there is no known cause of, prevention of, or cure for multiple sclerosis; and*
- WHEREAS MS Canada is the only national organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people with MS and their families; 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 their families and support MS research in Canada; and*
- WHEREAS since 1948, MS Canada has contributed over \$200 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, Bob Wells, Mayor of the City of Courtenay, do hereby proclaim May, 2023, as **MS AWARENESS MONTH** for the City of Courtenay.*

Mayor Bob Wells