



# Proclamation

## **PURPLE DAY March 26, 2020**

- Whereas:** Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world; and
- Whereas:** Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people with epilepsy to know they aren't alone; and
- Whereas:** people in countries around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness on Purple Day; and
- Whereas:** 40,000 people in British Columbia, 400,000 people in Canada and 65 million people worldwide are living with epilepsy; and
- Whereas:** Purple Day is an initiative to create a society that embraces the beauty of difference, and how even with our individuality, we can all come together to make the world a better place; and
- Whereas:** Purple Day encourages people to rid the stigma around epilepsy and seizures; and
- Whereas:** the onset of epilepsy can occur at any stage of life, Purple Day is a health promotion that does not discriminate against age, race or gender.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,

**I proclaim that March 26, 2020**

be observed as:

**"Purple Day"**

in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall  
City of Prince George