



Proclamation

ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

- Whereas:* Community support has been critical throughout the Arthritis Society Canada's 75-year history, enabling the organization to fulfill its mission to fight the fire of arthritis with cutting-edge research, bold innovation, fiery advocacy, evidence-based information, and patient-centered support; and
- Whereas:* Arthritis is not just arthritis. Arthritis is serious. It causes debilitating pain, restricts mobility, and diminishes quality of life. Six million Canadians – 1 in 5 – live every day with the fire of arthritis and there is no cure. Without a greater spotlight on this growing issue, the number of Canadians with arthritis will rise to nine million by 2040; and
- Whereas:* During Arthritis Awareness Month, we seek to raise voices and awareness, and we are encouraging everyone who lives with arthritis – and all those who know and love them – to fight the fire of arthritis; and
- Whereas:* The Arthritis Society Canada is a national charity dedicated to extinguishing arthritis for good.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim **September 1-30, 2023** as:
"Arthritis Awareness Month"
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Simon Yu
City of Prince George