

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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PROCLAMATION

"CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

September 1 – 30, 2024

WHEREAS Childhood Cancer is the number one disease killer of children in Canada, killing more children between the ages of one and twenty than Asthma,

Diabetes, Cystic Fibrosis and AIDS combined. Every two minutes a child is diagnosed with cancer around the world every year. It is the second leading cause of death during childhood exceeded only by accidents; and

WHEREAS Every year more than 1700 children are diagnosed with Cancer in Canada;

and

WHEREAS Every year in Canada over 300 children under the age of 20 years will lose

their lives to cancer; and

WHEREAS Of the children who survive their initial cancer most will develop lifetime

side effects and are much more likely to develop another form of

malignant cancer; and

WHEREAS The mental health of children and youth with cancer including their families

should be paramount, and support attainable; and

WHEREAS Our children are our most precious resource and are truly valued by all

peoples of British Columbia.

THEREFORE, I, Barbara Desjardins, Mayor of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, do

hereby proclaim September 1 – 30, 2024 as

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

In the Municipality of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia.

Barbara Desjardins Mayor