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PROCLAMATION “MS AWARENESS MONTH”

May 2024

- WHEREAS** Multiple sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling neurological disease affecting an estimated 1 in 385 Canadians and more than 12,000 British Columbians; 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** The Multiple Sclerosis Society of 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's Burgers to Beat MS support programs to enhance the lives of people affected by multiple sclerosis and their families and supports MS research in Canada; and
- WHEREAS** Since 1948, the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada has contributed \$175 million towards MS research; and is grateful for the dedication and commitment of its supporters and volunteers that have made this possible; and
- WHEREAS** BC will continue to lead the way in multiple sclerosis research, through one of the world's most renowned multiple sclerosis research facilities at the University of British Columbia; and
- WHEREAS** Together we will find ways to enhance the quality of lives for people affected by multiple sclerosis and to find a cure to end MS.
- THEREFORE,** I, Barbara Desjardins, Mayor of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, do hereby proclaim May 2024 as

MS Awareness Month

In the Municipality of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia.

Barbara Desjardins
Mayor