



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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PROCLAMATION

“PURPLE DAY”

March 26, 2023

WHEREAS Purple Day is celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase the knowledge and understanding of epilepsy in the community; and

WHEREAS Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were not alone; and

WHEREAS On Purple Day, people in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness; and

WHEREAS There are over 50,000 people in British Columbia, over 380,000 people in Canada and over 65 million people worldwide living with epilepsy; and

WHEREAS The onset of epilepsy can occur at any age and stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS Purple Day can improve the quality of life of people living with epilepsy, create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and help us understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place.

THEREFORE, I, Barbara Desjardins, Mayor of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2023 as

Purple Day

In the Municipality of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Desjardins".

Barbara Desjardins
Mayor