



PROCLAMATION

MS Awareness Month for MS Canada

- WHEREAS multiple sclerosis is a neurological disease affecting approximately 1 in 400 Canadians and over 90,000 people across the country; and*
- WHEREAS multiple sclerosis symptoms vary widely, and the disease may cause symptoms such as fatigue, lack of coordination, weakness, tingling, impaired sensation, vision problems, bladder and bowel problems, and cognitive and mood changes; and*
- WHEREAS MS is thought to be caused by a combination of genetic, environmental, and lifestyle risk factors; and*
- WHEREAS MS Canada is the only national organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people affected by MS; and*
- WHEREAS annual fundraising events such as the MS Walk, MS Bike, and A&W Canada's Burgers to Beat MS campaign support programs to enhance the lives of people affected by multiple sclerosis and help support MS research in Canada; and*
- WHEREAS since 1948, MS Canada has provided over \$224 million for MS research and is grateful for the dedication and commitment of supporters and volunteers that have made this possible; and*
- WHEREAS together we will find ways to connect and empower the MS community to create positive change and see a world free of multiple sclerosis;*
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Michelle Staples of the City of Duncan, do hereby proclaim May 2025 as "MS Awareness Month for MS Canada" in the City of Duncan.*

Dated this 14th day of April, 2025.

Michelle Staples, Mayor