"HUNTINGTON AWARENESS MONTH"

WHEREAS Huntington disease is a debilitating brain disorder that does not currently have a cure; and

WHEREAS one in every 7,000 Canadians has HD and approximately one in every 5,000 is at-risk of developing the disease. Many more are touched by HD as a caregiver, family member or friend; and

WHEREAS HD causes cells in specific parts of the brain to die. The disease leads to incapacitation and, eventually leads to death. It is likened to experiencing the symptoms of Alzheimers, Parkinsons, and Schizophrenia all in one disease; and

WHEREAS Huntington Awareness Month reflects the Huntington Society of Canada’s mission, which is to aspire to a world free from HD. The Society strives to: maintain quality of life of people living with HD by delivering services; enable others to understand the disease; and further research to slow and to prevent HD; and

WHEREAS The Society works with health and social services professionals to enable them to better serve people living with HD; and

WHEREAS The Huntington Society of Canada (HSC) is a respected leader in the worldwide effort to end Huntington disease. HSC is the only Canadian health charity dedicated to providing help and hope for families dealing with HD across Canada.

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the month of May 2018 as "HUNTINGTON AWARENESS MONTH" on the TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES of the ESQUIMALT AND SONGHEES FIRST NATIONS in the CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 26th day of April, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

LISA HELPS 
MAYOR 
CITY OF VICTORIA 
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