

“HUNTINGTON DISEASE 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 5,500 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, 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: maximize the 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 2019 as “HUNTINGTON DISEASE 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 25th of April, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

**LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
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