

Proclamation

MS Awareness Month – May 2021

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis is a chronic, unpredictable, often disabling, demyelinating neurological disease affecting an estimated 100,000 Canadians as well as their families, friends, and employers, and

WHEREAS, MS symptoms vary widely and may lead to problems with numbness, coordination, vision and speech, fatigue, as well as weakness, mobility issues and even paralysis, and

WHEREAS, people with MS are often misunderstood because many of their symptoms including fatigue, weakness, cognition difficulties, vision loss, and depression are "invisible", and

WHEREAS, although there is no known cure, with early drug therapy and proper healthcare management, disease progression can be slowed, helping people with MS to live active, rewarding, and productive lives, and

WHEREAS, the S'Myelin Warriors Newfoundland and Labrador is a local not-for-profit group raising awareness of MS and bringing support to people living with MS in Newfoundland and Labrador, and

WHEREAS, the S'Myelin Warriors Newfoundland and Labrador is made up of volunteers who advocate for people living with MS in Newfoundland and Labrador, and

WHEREAS, increased awareness and public education not only enhances the quality of life of people living with MS, but also stimulates funds for vital research aimed at developing more disease-modifying treatments and ultimately a cure, and

WHEREAS, the dedication and commitment of the supporters and volunteers here today makes this possible.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Danny Breen, do hereby proclaim the month of May to be MS Awareness Month for the S'Myelin Warriors Newfoundland and Labrador.

Dated at St. John's this 3rd day of May, 2021.



Danny Breen, Mayor

ST. JOHN'S