



June is National DeafBlind Awareness Month

June 2019

WHEREAS, deafblindness is a unique disability that incorporates the loss of both sight and hearing. Individuals who are deafblind can live full, meaningful lives as independently as possible with the right supports in place, such as intervenor services; and

WHEREAS, Canadian Helen Keller Centre is a not-for-profit organization that supports individuals who are deafblind to increase their independence and improve their quality of life through specialized services; and

WHEREAS, everyone is encouraged to help promote deafblindness by attending an awareness event and proclaiming June as National Deafblind Awareness Month in your community and checking out the calendar of events at www.deafblindnetworkontario.com that includes flag raisings and lighting up of local landmarks in communities across Canada; and

WHEREAS, June should be designated as National Deafblind Awareness Month to recognize and celebrate the contributions that individuals who are deafblind make in their communities with the support of intervenors who serve as a bridge to communication for individuals who are deafblind;

THEREFORE, I, Danny Breen, Mayor of the City of St. John's, NL do hereby proclaim June as National Deafblind Awareness Month.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2019.05.24

Danny Breen, Mayor



DEAFBLIND AWARENESS MONTH
Make a *wave* from coast to coast

MOIS DE LA SENSIBILISATION À LA SURDICÉCITÉ
Créez une *vague* d'un océan à l'autre