



Proclamation

MS Awareness Month

May 2023

- WHEREAS** Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a chronic, often disabling neurological disease affecting an estimated 1 in 400 Canadians and approximately 90,000 across the country; and
- WHEREAS** Multiple Sclerosis symptoms vary widely and may lead to problems with numbness, coordination, vision and speech, as well as extreme fatigue and even paralysis; and
- WHEREAS** There is no known cause of, prevention of, or cure for Multiple Sclerosis; and
- WHEREAS** MS Canada is the only national organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people with MS and their families; 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 their families and support MS research in Canada; and
- WHEREAS** Since 1948, MS Canada has contributed over \$200 million towards MS research; and is grateful for the dedication and commitment of its supporters and volunteers that has 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, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Brenda Locke, do hereby declare May 2023 as "MS Awareness Month" in the City of Surrey.

Mayor Brenda Locke
City of Surrey