



Proclamation

Purple Day

March 26, 2023

- WHEREAS** Purple Day is celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase knowledge and understanding of epilepsy in the community; and
- WHEREAS** Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were not alone. People in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness on Purple Day; and
- WHEREAS** There are over 50,000 people in British Columbia, over 380,000 people in Canada and over 65 million people worldwide living with epilepsy; and
- WHEREAS** The onset of epilepsy can occur at any age and stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation; and
- WHEREAS** Purple Day can improve the quality of life of people living with epilepsy, create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and help us understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Brenda Locke, do hereby declare March 26, 2023 as "Purple Day" in the City of Surrey.

Mayor Brenda Locke
City of Surrey