

City of Colwood

# Proclamation

## GREEN SHIRT DAY

- WHEREAS:** On April 6, 2018, Canadians were heartbroken to hear the devastating news of the Humboldt Broncos bus crash. Of the 29 passengers, sixteen lost their lives and thirteen will continue to bear the physical and emotional scars for life. Humboldt Broncos defenseman Logan Boulet succumbed to his injuries on April 7, 2018; and,
- WHEREAS:** Logan's parents Bernadine and Toby Boulet honoured his decision to donate his organs so that the gift of life could be passed onto others; and,
- WHEREAS:** Logan had registered as an organ donor, after being inspired by his coach and mentor Ric Suggitt who was also an organ donor and saved many lives when he passed in 2017; and,
- WHEREAS:** As news spread of the organ donation by this young hockey player, it is estimated that almost 150,000 people registered to become organ donors in the days and weeks that followed. To date this is the largest number of Canadians registering to become organ donors in Canadian history due to one event and one person; and,
- WHEREAS:** Green Shirt Day was created to honour, remember, and recognize all the victims and families of the fatal crash and to continue Logan's legacy by inspiring Canadians to talk to their families and register as organ donors;

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

I, Doug Kobayashi, Mayor of Colwood, do hereby proclaim that April 7, 2024, shall be known as

### Green Shirt Day

in the City of Colwood, and I encourage all citizens to wear green, register their decision to become organ and tissue donors, and share their decision with their family.



Mayor Doug Kobayashi



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