

City of Colwood

# Proclamation

## “Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness”

WHEREAS Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world; and

WHEREAS Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine year old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people with epilepsy to know they are not alone;

WHEREAS Epilepsy is the most common serious neurological condition; and

WHEREAS epilepsy is estimated to affect more than 50 million people worldwide, and more than 160,000 people in Canada, and approximately 40,000 people in British Columbia; and

WHEREAS the public is often unable to recognize common seizure types, and to respond with appropriate first aid; and

WHEREAS Purple Day will be celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for our communities in British Columbia.

NOW THEREFORE:

I, Carol Hamilton, Mayor of the City of Colwood, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2018, to be known as “Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness” in the City of Colwood.



Mayor Carol Hamilton

