



The City of Saint John

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:*** Horizon Health Network Public Health and community partners in the City of Saint John, County of St. John, Province of New Brunswick is concerned about the health of its citizens; and
- WHEREAS:*** it is estimated that between 500,000 and 600,000 people in Canada are living with hepatitis B and C and are at risk of developing cirrhosis, liver failure, liver cancer and non-liver related manifestations; and
- WHEREAS:*** Hepatitis C is the most commonly reported blood borne infection in NB; and
- WHEREAS:*** there are vaccines available for Hepatitis A and B; emerging Hepatitis C treatment therapies can cure nearly 95% of cases; and
- WHEREAS:*** World Hepatitis Day provides an opportunity to reach out to millions of Canadians and encourage hepatitis testing, provide treatment and care for those affected while paving the way towards elimination of hepatitis as a public health concern in Canada by 2030.

NOW THEREFORE: I, Mayor Don Darling, of Saint John do hereby proclaim July 28, 2019, as Hepatitis Awareness Day, in the City of Saint John.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Mayor of the City of Saint John.

