

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Cerebral palsy is a neuromotor disability that affects approximately 3.3 people in every thousand. Cerebral palsy is a term used to describe a group of conditions affecting body movement and muscle coordination. It is not a disease. In Alberta, it is estimated that over 9,000 individuals are affected by cerebral palsy. There is more than one diagnosis of cerebral palsy for every 500 children born each year in Alberta and the number of new cases per year has increased by 25 percent over the past decade. On a worldwide scale, over 17 million people have cerebral palsy.

WHEREAS Cerebral palsy affects all levels of society and all levels of socioeconomic status;

WHEREAS Cerebral Palsy Alberta (CPAA) is a leader in advocating for persons with disabilities and is the primary center for providing programs, services and information on treatments, resources and services relating to cerebral palsy.

WHEREAS Cerebral Palsy Association of Alberta recognizes October 6, 2025 as "World Cerebral Palsy Day".

NOW THEREFORE

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, encourage Red Deerians to help raise awareness for how neuromotor disability affects citizens in our community and to support national research efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Official Seal of The

City of Red Deer to be affixed.

Mayor Ken Johnston City of Red Deer

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