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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS The human body is fuelled by trillions of microscopic powerhouses called mitochondria. Present in almost every cell in our bodies, these tiny but mighty, energy-producing structures generate the energy we need to survive. When there is dysfunction with these important structures in one or more parts of our bodies, we see Mitochondrial Diseases appear.

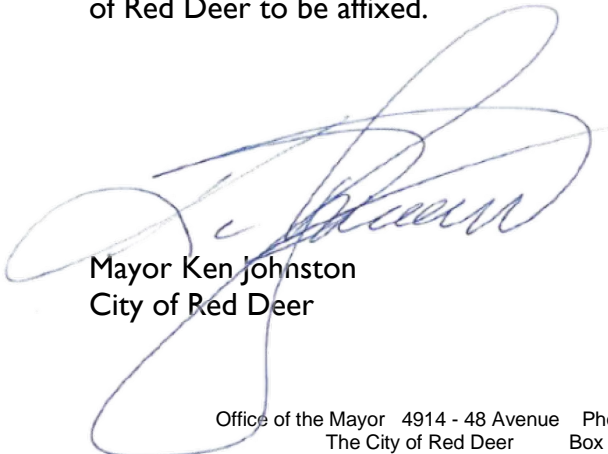
WHEREAS There are over thousands of mitochondrial diseases, and because mito is very hard to diagnose, many people don't realize that they have these diseases. There is a strong need for more research about Mito, for those living with it, caring for a loved one with Mito, and for clinicians to be able to diagnose and treat patients with Mito.

WHEREAS World Mitochondrial Disease Week this year is from September 16 - 22nd. This week's goal is to raise awareness for mitochondrial health and diseases on a global scale. The initiative helps to raise awareness for mitochondrial diseases in Canada, and across the globe, which can be crucial for the development of treatments, research on the disease, and providing support to those living with Mito.

NOW THEREFORE

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, do hereby proclaim September 16 – 22, 2024 as Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week. Let us join together to educate, empower and support those who living with Mito.

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

