



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS

Nationwide community support has been critical throughout Arthritis Society Canada's 77-year history, enabling the organization to fulfill its mission to fight the fire of arthritis with research, advocacy, innovation, information and support.

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Arthritis is a serious disease that causes debilitating pain, restricts mobility and diminishes quality of life. Six million people in Canada – 1 in 5 – live every day with the brutal realities of arthritis and there is no cure. Without a greater spotlight on this growing issue, the number of people in Canada with arthritis will rise to nine million by 2045.

WHEREAS

During Arthritis Awareness Month this September, we will raise awareness, mobilize and engage communities to understand the devastating impact of arthritis, and stand with us to fight for an arthritis-free future. We recognize the work underway to develop a nationwide Arthritis Action Plan to take on the big issues of arthritis, including prevention, equitable access to care and treatment, and elevating the urgency of the disease.

NOW THEREFORE

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, do hereby proclaim the month of September as Arthritis Awareness Month and encourage all residents to learn more about arthritis, support those affected by the disease, and promote research, early diagnosis, and effective management to improve quality of life for individuals living with arthritis.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Red Deer, Alberta, to be affixed.

Mayor Ken Johnston
City of Red Deer

