

PROCLAMATION

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH April 2018

Whereas: Autism is a lifelong developmental disability where speech

and language may be absent or delayed, and cognitive

abilities may be affected; and

Whereas: Autism, the causes of which are not fully understood, is

estimated to affect as many as 1 in 68 people or more; and

Whereas: The person with Autism can relate in abnormal ways to

people, objects and events, which can cause great stress to

families; and

Whereas: The United Nations General Assembly and the Parliament of

Canada have adopted April as Autism Awareness Month and

April 2 as Word Autism Awareness Day; and

Whereas: the Northern Region of the Autism Society of British Columbia

wishes to stimulate the awareness of the public and practicing professionals, and to provide information on

Autism.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,

I proclaim

April 2018 as:

"AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH" and

April 2, 2017 as:

"WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY"

in the City of Prince George.

Lyn Hall, Mayor City of Prince George