



Proclamation

MULTIPLE MYELOMA AWARENESS DAY

- Whereas:* multiple myeloma, also known as myeloma, is a type of cancer that develops in plasma cells found in bone marrow and is the second most common blood cancer diagnosis; and
- Whereas:* more Canadians are diagnosed with myeloma every day, yet myeloma is relatively unknown, and remains incurable; and
- Whereas:* while great strides have been made in the development of treatments for Canadians with myeloma, there is a need to raise awareness and support for clinical research to find a cure for this deadly disease; and
- Whereas:* Prince George's and Canada's myeloma communities are committed to supporting the range of diverse groups impacted by the disease, especially those disproportionately experiencing its effects, and regardless of race, ethnicity, culture, gender, socio-economic background or language; and
- Whereas:* local support groups like the Northern BC Multiple Myeloma Support Group and a national patient organization, Myeloma Canada, let people living with myeloma know that they are not alone by offering resources like information, advocacy, and a sense of community; and
- Whereas:* Multiple Myeloma Awareness Day is an important opportunity to further educate the public and medical community in recognizing myeloma's signs and symptoms, which is crucial for achieving earlier diagnoses and thus better outcomes for people living with this difficult, incurable disease.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim that **March 31, 2022** be observed as:
"Multiple Myeloma Awareness Day"
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall
City of Prince George