



Proclamation

NATIONAL SCHIZOPHRENIA & PSYCHOSIS AWARENESS DAY

- Whereas:* one in 100 people in Canada – and 40,000 British Columbians – are living with schizophrenia; and
- Whereas:* people with a history of schizophrenia are more prone to suicide, depression and anxiety disorders, addictions, poverty, victimization, and increased medical problems; and
- Whereas:* schizophrenia is treatable, supported through continued advances in research, prevention, early intervention, treatment, relapse prevention and family caregiver support; and
- Whereas:* public understanding can dispel myths and misconceptions and encourage prevention and early intervention, enabling people with a history of psychosis to contribute to the community and lead meaningful, productive lives; and
- Whereas:* the British Columbia Schizophrenia Society Prince George Branch is a volunteer-based health organization which leads in early prevention and intervention of psychosis and schizophrenia, and improving the quality of life of those affected through education and support programs; and
- Whereas:* on National Schizophrenia and Psychosis Awareness day, you can show your support by wearing purple.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim that **May 24, 2022** be observed as:
“National Schizophrenia and Psychosis Awareness Day”
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall
City of Prince George