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Subject: Proclamation Request: April | Parkinson Awareness Month

Good afternoon,

April is Parkinson Awareness Month. Parkinson's is a disease of the brain that touches every aspect of daily living, including: movement, mood, speech, eating and drinking, sleep and cognitive changes. It worsens over time, resulting in a loss of independence and ultimately premature death. There is no known cause or cure for Parkinson's disease.

In Ontario today, an estimated, 40,000 people live with this condition. As the population ages, we continue to see significant increases in the prevalence of Parkinson's. In Ontario, we have seen a nearly 50% increase in the prevalence of Parkinson's in the last 15 years. Parkinson's is the fastest growing neurological condition in the world.

As a government we strive to provide the best care that we can to all of our citizens, but at times we must rely on community groups to bridge that gap. In Ontario, Parkinson Canada offers volunteer run support groups in 90 communities, education opportunities, access to Parkinson resources, a dedicated helpline and staff across the province to connect people living with Parkinson to community programs and resources that will support living better, no matter what. Parkinson Canada also offers education, advocacy, public awareness, and research provided for people affected by Parkinson's disease across Canada. In Ontario and across the country, Parkinson Canada is helping to ensure that no one faces Parkinson's alone.

Parkinson Canada would be honored if you would sponsor an official proclamation to recognize the month of April as Parkinson Awareness Month. Your proclamation would lend official recognition to the important work of educating the public on Parkinson Disease, as well as emphasize your personal commitment to raising awareness about this neurodegenerative disease affected 100,000 Canadians.

If you or your staff have any questions concerning the request, the sample proclamation or Parkinson Awareness Month, please contact me.

Thank you for your consideration of this special request.

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It's thanks to **our loyal donors** that Parkinson Canada is [here for Canadians](#) with Parkinson's, no matter what. **And for this we thank them!**

C'est **grâce à nos fidèles donateurs** que Parkinson Canada est [présent pour les Canadiens](#) atteints de la maladie de Parkinson, quoi qu'il arrive. Et **pour cela nous sommes reconnaissants!**

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**Proclamation
April 2020
World Parkinson's Day**

WHEREAS Parkinson's is a disease of the brain that touches almost every aspect of daily living including movement, mood, speech, eating, drinking, sleep, and cognition; and

WHEREAS Parkinson's is a progressive chronic disease that results in a loss of independence and premature death with no known cure; and

WHEREAS Parkinson's is the fastest-growing neurological condition in the world affecting 100,000 Canadians; and

WHEREAS the number of people diagnosed each day with Parkinson's in Canada will rise to over 50 in the next 10 years; and

WHEREAS Parkinson's is the most prevalent neurodegenerative movement disorder; and

WHEREAS Parkinson's disease impacts the lives of thousands of families and care partners; and

WHEREAS timely access to care and treatments makes the difference between living well and experiencing hardship; and

WHEREAS Parkinson Canada provides education, client services, research, and advocacy for people living with Parkinson's and care partners across Canada; and

WHEREAS community members must engage in helping friends, family and neighbours living with Parkinson's

NOW THEREFORE, I, _____, Mayor of _____, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2020 as "Parkinson's Awareness Month" and April 11th as "World Parkinson's Day" in _____, and urge all citizens of our community to become more educated and aware of the far-reaching effects of Parkinson's.

Proclamation
Avril 2020
Journée mondiale de la maladie de Parkinson

ATTENDU QUE la maladie de Parkinson est une maladie du cerveau qui touche tous les aspects de la vie quotidienne, y compris les mouvements, l'humeur, l'élocution, la capacité à boire et à manger, le sommeil et les capacités cognitives;

ATTENDU QUE la maladie de Parkinson est une maladie chronique évolutive qui entraîne une perte d'autonomie et un décès prématuré, sans remède connu;

ATTENDU QUE la maladie de Parkinson est la maladie neurologique qui connaît la croissance la plus rapide au monde, touchant 100 000 Canadiens; et

ATTENDU QU'au Canada, le nombre de nouveaux cas diagnostiqués chaque jour augmentera à plus de 50 pendant les 10 prochaines années;

ATTENDU QUE la maladie de Parkinson est le trouble du mouvement neurodégénératif le plus répandu; et

ATTENDU QUE la maladie de Parkinson touche la vie de milliers de familles et de proches aidants;

ATTENDU QUE l'accès en temps opportun aux soins et aux traitements fait la différence entre bien vivre et éprouver des difficultés;

ATTENDU QUE Parkinson Canada offre des activités de sensibilisation, des services à la clientèle, des activités de recherche et de défense des intérêts pour les personnes atteintes de la maladie de Parkinson et les proches aidants partout au Canada;

ATTENDU QUE les membres de la communauté doivent se mobiliser pour aider leurs amis, les membres de leur famille et leurs voisins atteints de la maladie de Parkinson

POUR CES MOTIFS, je, _____, maire de _____, proclame le mois d'avril 2020 comme étant le « Mois de la sensibilisation à la maladie de Parkinson » et le 11 avril comme étant la « Journée mondiale de la maladie de Parkinson » à _____, et exhorte tous les citoyens de notre communauté à mieux s'informer sur les répercussions considérables de la maladie de Parkinson.