

## Village of New Maryland

## **Purple Day Proclamation 2023**

Whereas Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world; and

Whereas epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, estimated to affect over 50 million people worldwide and 42 people in Canada are diagnosed every day; and

Whereas one in ten persons will have at least one seizure during his or her lifetime; and

Whereas the public is often unable to recognize common seizure types, or how to respond with appropriate first aid; and

**Whereas** Purple Day will be celebrated on March 26 annually to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for people with epilepsy throughout the country and globally;

Now, therefore, I do hereby proclaim March 26, 2023, "Purple Day", in the Village of New Maryland in an effort to raise awareness of epilepsy in Canada.

Mayor Judy Wilson-Shee

<u>15 March 2023</u> Date

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