

2025 Proclamation Draft

“Purple Day”

WHEREAS Purple Day is celebrated on March 26th annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase the knowledge and understanding of epilepsy in the community;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were not alone;

AND WHEREAS On Purple Day, people in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness;

AND WHEREAS increasing epilepsy awareness can help the public to recognize common seizure types or to respond with appropriate first aid, and

AND WHEREAS The onset of epilepsy can occur at any stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day can improve the quality of life of people living with epilepsy, create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and help us understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place:

NOW THEREFORE I **[Insert Name and Title]** DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Wednesday March 26th, 2025 as

“PURPLE DAY”

in the District of Mackenzie