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Dear Mayor and Council and other City Decision Makers,

The month of May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month across Canada. In order to raise awareness, members of BC Lyme are reaching out to their communities to support their efforts by lighting up their cities on May 3rd with Green lights. You can participate by:

1. Light up Green at any location in the city that supports green lighting.
2. and /or Share information to raise awareness on your social media.

The main awareness day is on May 3rd, but for those who can light up longer and share information on social media, this is very much appreciated as the entire month of May is Lyme Disease awareness month. We hope the District of Mackenzie is able to participate in this awareness campaign.

This year will be our 3rd year where the month of May was declared BC Lyme Awareness month by the Provincial Government. We are very proud of this accomplishment.

What is Lyme Disease?

Lyme disease is the most common and fastest-growing vector-borne infection in Canada and the United States. It is caused by the bacteria *Borrelia Burgdorferi* transmitted by a tick. The tick also carries many co-infections such as Bartonella, Babesia, Anaplasmosis, Ehrlichiosis, Mycoplasma and many more! It has now spread to every province and state in North America and it is directly impacting people in our community.

Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases are preventable. By taking the right precautions and spreading the word, we can effectively protect all from Lyme. You can find information on prevention, safe tick removal, transmission and more on our website <https://www.bclyme.com/>

If you require more information, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your consideration,



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