Proclamation

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Month September, 2022

WHEREAS: fasdNL is a pan-provincial organization working to

educate, provide supports and resources, and raise

awareness about fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) in Newfoundland and Labrador and Atlantic Canada; and

WHEREAS: fasdNL is currently leading a three-year FASD prevention,

awareness, training, and collaborative action project in

the four Atlantic provinces; and

WHEREAS: FASD is a diagnostic term used to describe impacts on

the brain and body of individuals prenatally exposed to alcohol. FASD is a lifelong disability. Individuals with

FASD will experience some degree of challenges in their daily living, and need support with motor skills, physical health, learning, memory, attention, communication, emotional regulation, and social skills to reach their full potential. Everyone with FASD is unique and has areas of

both strengths and challenges; and

WHEREAS: September 9th marks international FASD day. This day is

recognized around the world and is intended to build awareness about the condition and surrounding stigma

within communities:

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Danny Breen, do hereby proclaim September 9, 2022 as FASD Awareness Month in the City of St. John's.

Danny Breen, Mayor

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