

PROCLAMATION

January is National Alzheimer Awareness Month “Let’s Face It” and start “Living Together”

WHEREAS: *Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias are everyone’s concern, and we need to put our mind to taking action now, while there is still time; and*

WHEREAS: *Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias are degenerative brain disorders that most often occur in people over the age of 60 but can strike adults at any age; and*

WHEREAS: *Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias affect an estimated 500,000 Canadians, a number that will increase substantially with our aging population; and*

WHEREAS: *Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias take their toll on hundreds of thousands of families and caregivers; and*

WHEREAS: *There is an urgent need to reduce the stigma that surrounds Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias so that the barriers in our communities can be removed and all Canadians touched by these diseases can be diagnosed and treated; and*

WHEREAS: *Presently, there is no known cure for these devastating illnesses; and*

WHEREAS: *If a cure is not found, Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias may prove to have the highest economic, social, and health cost burden of all diseases in Canada.*

THEREFORE: *I, Doug Lawrance, Mayor of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout do hereby proclaim the month of **January 2022**, as **National Alzheimer Awareness Month** and do urge all citizens of our community to become more aware and educated concerning the far-reaching effects of Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias.*



Signed:

DOUG LAWRENCE
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