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Proclamation

Purple Day for Epilepsy

March 26th

WHEREAS: **Purple Day** is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world; and,

WHEREAS: **Purple Day** was founded by nine year old Cassidy Megan of Nova Scotia who wanted to let people know that if you have epilepsy you are not alone; and,

WHEREAS: Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, estimated to affect over 10,000 people in Newfoundland and Labrador, over 300,000 people in Canada, and 50 million people worldwide; 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 26th annually to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for people with epilepsy throughout the country and globally:

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that I Frank Butt, Mayor of Carbonear, do hereby proclaim March 26th as Purple Day in an effort to raise the awareness and understanding of epilepsy and to support all those who live with seizures each day.

Dated This 12 Day of March 2019

Signature