PROCLAMATION

Arthritis Awareness Month

WHEREAS: Nationwide community support has been critical throughout Arthritis Society Canada's 76-year history, enabling the organization to fulfill its mission to fight the fire of arthritis with research, advocacy, innovation, information and support.

Arthritis is a serious disease that causes debilitating pain, restricts mobility and diminishes quality of life. Six million people in Canada – 1 in 5 – live everyday with the brutal realities of arthritis and there is no cure.

Without a greater spotlight on this growing issue, the number of people in Canada with arthritis will rise to nine million by 2040.

During Arthritis Awareness Month we will raise awareness, mobilize and engage communities to understand the devastating impact of arthritis, and stand with us to fight for an arthritis-free future.

We recognize the work underway to develop a nationwide Arthritis Action Plan to take on the big issues of arthritis, including prevention, equitable access to care and treatment, and elevating the urgency of the disease.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as "Arthritis Awareness Month" in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton