

## PROCLAMATION

Cerebral palsy is a neuromotor disability that affects approximately 3.3 people in every thousand. Cerebral palsy is a term used to describe a group of conditions affecting body movement and muscle coordination.

It is not a disease.

In Alberta, it is estimated that over 9,000 individuals are affected by cerebral palsy. There is more than one diagnosis of cerebral palsy for every 500 children born each year in Alberta and the number of new cases per year has increased by 25 percent over the past decade. On a worldwide scale, over 17 million people have cerebral palsy.

- WHEREAS: Cerebral palsy affects all levels of society and all levels of socioeconomic status;
- **WHEREAS:** Cerebral palsy affects an estimated 17 million people worldwide;
- **WHEREAS:** The Cerebral Palsy Association in Alberta (CPAA) is a leader in advocating for persons with disabilities and is the primary center for providing programs, services and information on treatments, resources and services relating to cerebral palsy.

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Airdrie, I hereby proclaim the 6th day of October 2024 as **World Cerebral Palsy Day** and will light up City Hall in green lights.

Mayor