



TOWN OF LADYSMITH

PROCLAMATION

Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month

- WHEREAS:** *Multiple Myeloma, also known as Myeloma, is a type of blood cancer which develops in the plasma cells found in the bone marrow; and*
- WHEREAS:** *a growing number of Canadians and British Columbians are diagnosed with Myeloma every day, yet Myeloma is relatively unknown, and remains incurable; and*
- WHEREAS:** *great strides have been made in the development of new innovative treatments for Myeloma, but there remains a critical need to raise awareness and support for British Columbians' access to these treatments, and clinical research to find a cure for this deadly disease; and*
- WHEREAS:** *numerous local support groups and Myeloma Canada work together to offer resources like information, advocacy, and a sense of community - to show people living with myeloma they are not alone; and*
- WHEREAS:** *Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month is an opportunity to provide further education so that new cases can be more readily detected and promptly treated, thereby enhancing the prospect for better prognosis and quality of life for people suffering from this difficult, lifelong disease; and*
- WHEREAS:** *together we can raise awareness for this disease that has taken the lives of too many;*
- THEREFORE,** *I, Aaron Stone, Mayor of the Town of Ladysmith, do hereby proclaim March 2024 as "Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month" in the Town of Ladysmith, British Columbia.*

Mayor A. Stone

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