



City of Campbell River

From the Office of the Mayor

- PROCLAMATION -


- WHEREAS** Lymphedema is an incurable condition affecting more than 1 million Canadians including 30-40% of all cancer survivors with disfigurement, disabilities, discomfort and distress;
- AND WHEREAS** many British Columbians are living with Lymphedema, an accumulation of lymphatic fluid that causes chronic swelling in the arms, legs, or other areas of the body, affecting men, women and children and causing a severe financial, physical and psychological impact on the lives of patients;
- AND WHEREAS** there is a desperate need to raise the level of knowledge about lymphedema within the medical community for timely diagnosis, and management, so people no longer go untreated due to lack of knowledge about treatment;
- AND WHEREAS** the lack of focus on this condition has resulted in inadequate education, and a lack of effective clinical or surgical treatment, plus a drastic shortage of trained medical professionals;
- AND WHEREAS** the mandate of the BC Lymphedema Association is to bring attention to this distressing disease and to promote healthy and hopeful living with lymphedema through education, awareness, advocacy, and support for all people in British Columbia living with lymphedema, and for their families and caregivers;
- AND WHEREAS** communities throughout Canada are demonstrating their support for people living with lymphedema by honouring them and those that provide love, encouragement, and commitment to meeting the needs of Lymphedema patients;

NOW THEREFORE I, Andy Adams, Mayor of the City of Campbell River do hereby proclaim March 6, 2021 to be observed as:

"LYMPHEDEMA AWARENESS DAY"

in the City of Campbell River, Province of British Columbia, and encourage all citizens to work together to promote and increase awareness so that the health and well-being of all those living with Lymphedema is improved.

Dated this 1st day of March 2021.



Andy Adams
MAYOR