



THE CITY OF WINDSOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DREW DILKENS, DBA
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

"HEPATITIS AWARENESS WEEK"

JULY 22-28, 2019

WHEREAS: It is estimated that between 500,000 and 600,000 people in Canada are living with viral hepatitis B and C and are at risk for developing cirrhosis, liver failure, liver cancer; and

WHEREAS: Over 3,000 people are infected with hepatitis C in Windsor/Essex County and an additional 600 to 900 people are infected but unaware; and

WHEREAS: In 2018 there were 197 new cases of people testing positive for Hepatitis C in Windsor Essex; an increase of 46 cases over the 2012-2016, 5 year average; and

WHEREAS: There are vaccines available for Hepatitis A and B; Hepatitis C treatment therapies are available to all Ontarians and can cure nearly 95% of cases; and

WHEREAS: World Hepatitis Day is an opportunity to enhance public awareness and education, reduce stigma, foster community engagement, increase understanding, acknowledge those in our community who are affected, and find ways to better address Hepatitis B and C in the future;

THEREFORE: I, Drew Dilkens, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

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in the City of Windsor.



Mayor