

## THE CITY OF WINDSOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DREW DILKENS, DBA
MAYOR

## **PROCLAMATION**

"World/National/Ontario Sickle Cell Awareness Day 2024" June 19, 2024

WHEREAS:

The World Health Organization (2006), the United Nations (2008) and the Government of Ontario (2021) have recognized Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) as a global and local public health priority and to raise awareness, designated the 19th day of June every year as World Sickle Cell Day (WSCD); and,

WHEREAS:

The Sickle Cell Awareness Group of Ontario (SCAGO) recognizes SCD as an increasingly important medical issue in the province; and,

WHEREAS:

Out of the estimated 6,500 Canadians affected by SCD, 3,500 live in Ontario; and,

WHEREAS:

Over 65% of babies born with the disease nationally are born in the province of Ontario;

and,

WHEREAS:

Through education and awareness programs, SCAGO is doing its part to reduce the stigma and discrimination faced by the families with children, youth and adults living with Sickle Cell Disease; and,

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

June 19, 2024
"World/National/Ontario Sickle Cell Awareness Day 2024"

in the City of Windsor.



Mayor