



CITY OF MOOSE JAW

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS), Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP), and their variants such as Multifocal Motor Neuropathy (MMN) are rare conditions which are paralyzing and potentially catastrophic inflammatory disorders of the peripheral nerves, which can be characterized by rapid onset of weakness and often paralysis of the legs, arms, breathing muscles and face and some cases lead to complete paralysis and requiring life-sustaining hospital care; and
- WHEREAS** the cause of GBS, CIDP, and MMN is unknown, and these conditions can develop in any person, regardless of age, gender or ethnic background; and
- WHEREAS** GBS, CIDP, and MMN have a slow and unpredictable recovery. Early diagnosis, treatment and access to rehabilitation services can improve the chances of avoiding permanent lifelong residual damage of the nerves; and
- WHEREAS** in 2003, GBS/CIPD Foundation of Canada, a patient organization providing support, education, research and advocacy, was founded so that no patient or family would go through GBS, CIDP, MMN or their variants alone;
- NOW THEREFORE, I, CLIVE TOLLEY, MAYOR** of the City of Moose Jaw, do hereby proclaim the month of May as:

GBS AND CIDP AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Moose Jaw and by issuing this proclamation we hope to educate the public about this rare disorder of the peripheral nerves.

**CLIVE TOLLEY
MAYOR**