



PROCLAMATION

WORLD PULMONARY HYPERTENSION (PH) DAY

May 5, 2024

WHEREAS: Pulmonary Hypertension (PH) is a rare but very complex and serious lung disease, which is progressive and potentially fatal. PH is defined by high blood pressure in the lungs, which leads to enlargement and weakness of the right side of the heart ~ a serious type of heart failure. PH can strike people of all backgrounds, ages, and genders; and

WHEREAS: common symptoms of PH (shortness of breath, bluish hands, feet, and lips, chest pain, light-headedness, and extreme tiredness) are often misdiagnosed, delaying appropriate treatment; and

WHEREAS: it is estimated that approximately 5,000 Canadians have been diagnosed with Pulmonary Hypertension, but as many as 10,000 may be affected by the condition; and

WHEREAS: while there is currently no cure for PH, thanks to available treatments, many patients are living longer, healthier lives.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Leonard Kog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2024 as:

WORLD PULMONARY HYPERTENSION (PH) DAY

in the City of Nanaimo, Province of British Columbia.

Leonard Kog
MAYOR

Dated this 28th day of February 2024

