

## PROCLAMATION PURPLE DAY

**WHEREAS** Purple Day is celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase knowledge and understanding of epilepsy in the community;

**AND WHEREAS** Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy to know that they were not alone;

**AND WHEREAS** On Purple Day, people in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness;

**AND WHEREAS** Increasing epilepsy awareness can help the public to recognize common seizure types or to respond with appropriate first aid;

**AND WHEREAS** The onset of epilepsy can occur at any stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation;

**AND WHEREAS** Purple Day can improve the quality of life of people living with epilepsy, create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and help us understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place:

NOW THEREFORE I                      Mayor Martin Johansen on behalf of Oliver Council

DO HEREBY PROCLAIM                Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as

“PURPLE DAY”

in the Town of Oliver.

