



# PROCLAMATION

## World Cerebral Palsy Day

Cerebral palsy is a neuromotor disability that affects approximately 3.3 people in every thousand. Cerebral palsy is a term used to describe a group of conditions affecting body movement and muscle coordination.

It is not a disease.

In Alberta, it is estimated that over 9,000 individuals are affected by cerebral palsy. There is more than one diagnosis of cerebral palsy for every 500 children born each year in Alberta and the number of new cases per year has increased by 25 percent over the past decade.

**WHEREAS**, Cerebral palsy affects all levels of society and all levels of socioeconomic status:

**WHEREAS**, Cerebral palsy affects an estimated 17 million people worldwide:

**WHEREAS**, The Cerebral Palsy Association in Alberta (CPAA) is a leader in advocating for persons with disabilities and is the primary centre for providing programs, services and information on treatments, resources and services relating to cerebral palsy;

**Now therefore I**, Mayor Gale Katchur, do hereby proclaim October 6<sup>th</sup> as "**World Cerebral Palsy Day**" in the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

**Mayor Gale Katchur**

October 6, 2022