PROCLAMATION

Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month

WHEREAS: March marks Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month. Multiple myeloma is a type of blood cancer. Once a rare cancer, it is now become more prominent among Canadians.

Myeloma, also called multiple myeloma, is a cancer of the plasma cells. Plasma cells are white blood cells that make antibodies that protect us from infection. In myeloma, the cells grow too much, crowding out normal cells in the bone marrow that make red blood cells, platelets, and other white blood cells.

Early in multiple myeloma, there might be no symptoms. When signs and symptoms happen, they can include bone pain, especially in the spine, chest or hips, nausea, loss of appetite, mental fogginess or confusion.

Myeloma Canada is the only national charitable organization created by, and for, Canadians impacted by multiple myeloma. They are driven to improve the lives of those affected by this disease by empowering the community through awareness, education, and advocacy programs.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim March 2024 as “Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month” in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton