PROCLAMATION

World Mitochondrial Disease Week

WHEREAS: Mitochondrial diseases are chronic, genetic disorders that occur when the mitochondria of the cell fail to produce enough energy for cell or organ function, leading to a range of serious and often debilitating symptoms.

World Mitochondrial Disease Week, observed globally from September 15 to 21, is dedicated to raising awareness of mitochondrial health and disease, promoting greater understanding of its impact, and advocating for improved research, diagnosis, and care.

This week provides an important opportunity to support those affected by mitochondrial disease, and to recognize the strength and resilience of individuals, families, and caregivers who face the daily challenges of living with this condition.

This international initiative is crucial in advancing scientific research, developing innovative treatments, and encouraging public and private investment in medical progress that can change lives around the world.

MitoCanada, Canada's only registered health foundation solely focused on mitochondrial disease, plays a pivotal role in transforming lives through education, awareness, support, and research, working to energize and empower patients, families, and healthcare providers nationwide.

The continued efforts of organizations like MitoCanada and global awareness campaigns help shine a light on the importance of mitochondrial health and foster a more compassionate, informed, and research-driven community.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim September 15-21, 2025 as “World Mitochondrial Disease Week” in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton