

# Proclamation

## Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week September 7 – 11, 2020

WHEREAS: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) is a diagnostic term used to describe impacts on the brain and body of individuals prenatally exposed to alcohol. FASD is a lifelong disability. Individuals with FASD will experience some degree of challenges in their daily living, and need support with motor skills, physical health, learning, memory, attention, communication, emotional regulation, and social skills to reach their full potential. Each individual with FASD is unique and has areas of both strengths and challenges.

WHEREAS: fasdNL is a pan-provincial organization that educates, provides supports and resources, and raises awareness about fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) in Newfoundland and Labrador; and

WHEREAS: Regional events are held in St. John's and across the province to mark FASD Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS: FASD Awareness week is devoted to raising awareness of fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) to improve prevention of FASD and diagnosis and support for individuals with FASD.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Danny Breen, do hereby proclaim September 7 to 11, 2020, as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week in the City of St. John's.

Signed at City Hall, St. John's, NL on this 31 day of August, 2020.



Danny Breen,  
Mayor