

Proclamation

International Walk & Wheel to School Month October 2019

WHEREAS: The City of St. John's recognizes that October is International Walk & Wheel to School Month (iWALK-iWHEEL). iWALK-iWHEEL gives children, parents, school teachers and community leaders an opportunity to be part of a global event as they celebrate the many benefits of active transportation; and

WHEREAS: The City of St. John's Recreation Division has celebrated iWALK-iWHEEL for 10 years, and would like to continue to bring awareness to this event in our community; and

WHEREAS: In recognition of iWALK-iWHEEL 2019, the City of St. John's is encouraging all students in St. John's to participate by walking or wheeling to school during the month of October. The City of St. John's is supporting this initiative by encouraging schools to host school walks and providing brochures containing safe walking tips to distribute to students, resource packages for teachers, and small prizes for schools to use in draws throughout the month to encourage walking and wheeling to school. In addition, each participating primary/elementary school will select one student who walks or wheels to school regularly to 'Meet the Mayor' and attend a City of St. John's Council Meeting on October 28th, 2019 where we will draw for a \$500 school participation prize. Furthermore, City of St. John's After School Programs are participating by providing participants with the opportunity to walk and wheel after school; and

WHEREAS: By walking and wheeling to and from school, students can experience first-hand how easy it is to incorporate regular physical activity into their daily lives;

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Danny Breen, do hereby proclaim October 2019 as International Walk & Wheel to School Month in the City of St. John's.

Signed at City Hall, St. John's, NL on this 30th day of September 2019.



Danny Breen, Mayor