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PROCLAMATION

April is BeADonor Month

WHEREAS, April is BeADonor Month in Ontario; and

WHEREAS, the goal during BeADonor Month is to inspire those who have not yet registered consent of organ and tissue donations; and

WHEREAS, on average 1,400 people in Ontario are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant and every three days someone will die waiting for an organ transplant;

WHEREAS, in 2025, 362 deceased organ donors gave the gift of life, 1,088 deceased donor organ transplants were performed in Ontario, and 2,051 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands; and

WHEREAS, 90% of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet only one in three (35%) of eligible Ontarians have registered their consent to donate; and

WHEREAS, families almost always consent to donation when there is evidence a loved one registered their decision to donate, but in the absence of a registered donation decision, families consent only half of the time; and

WHEREAS, everyone has the potential to be an organ and/or tissue donor, regardless of age or health; one organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 others through tissue donations; and

THEREFORE, I, Steve Ferguson, Mayor of The Corporation of the County of Prince Edward, do hereby recognize April as **BeADonor Month**. I encourage all citizens to learn more about organ and tissue donation and transplantation, and consider pledging their support to “BeADonor Month” by registering as a donor at BeADonor.ca

DATED at Picton this 24th day of March 2026

Mayor Steve Ferguson