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PROCLAMATION

June is Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month

WHEREAS, At least every 30 minutes, there is one new stroke victim in Ontario resulting in physical, emotional, cognitive and communication impairments; and

WHEREAS, There are an estimated 25,500 new stroke events in Ontario with 15,500 hospital inpatient admissions every year; and more than 5,500 (22%) of Ontarians die within one year of their stroke and

WHEREAS, Strokes are the third leading cause of death and the leading cause of adult disability affecting more women than men;

WHEREAS, Community members are encouraged to recognize the warning signs of stroke and to immediately call 911; and

WHEREAS, Aphasia is a language disorder affecting 30% of stroke survivors - impacting a person's ability to use and comprehend language, it does not affect intelligence; and

WHEREAS, Both stroke survivors with or without aphasia, and their families benefit from community supports to promote positive outcomes and improved quality of life,

THEREFORE, I, Steve Ferguson, Mayor of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward, do hereby recognize June as "Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month" and encourage everyone to learn more about prevention, the early warning signs of stroke, and support available to stroke survivors and families.

DATED at Picton this 26th day of May 2026
Mayor Steve Ferguson