



PROCLAMATION

Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Day - May 17

WHEREAS, the Neurofibromatosis Society of Ontario is observing May 17, 2025 as Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Day (part of NF Awareness Month) to educate the public about this rare genetic disorder; and

WHEREAS, although 1 in every 2,500 births is diagnosed with NF, it is still relatively unknown to the public; and

WHEREAS, Neurofibromatosis causes tumours to grow on nerves throughout the body and also can affect development of the brain, cardiovascular system, bones and skin; and

WHEREAS, the disorder can lead to blindness, deafness, bone abnormalities, disfigurement, learning disabilities, disabling pain, and cancer; and

WHEREAS, The Neurofibromatosis Society of Ontario leads efforts to promote and financially sponsor medical research aimed at finding effective treatments and, ultimately, a cure for NF; and

WHEREAS, The Neurofibromatosis Society of Ontario provides patient and family support through its information resources; and

WHEREAS, much remains to be done in raising public awareness of NF to help promote early diagnosis, proper management and treatment, prevention of complications, and support for research.

THEREFORE, I, Steve Ferguson, Mayor of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward, do hereby recognize May 17 to be Neurofibromatosis Awareness Day in the County of Prince Edward.

DATED at Picton this 12th day of May 2026
Mayor Steve Ferguson