

## **Proclamation**

Office of the Mayor

## Childhood Cancer Awareness Month September 2024

**WHEREAS** over 800 children under the age of 15 are diagnosed with cancer each year in Canada;

**AND WHEREAS** 1 in 330 children will be diagnosed with cancer before their 18th birthday;

**AND WHEREAS** childhood cancer is the #1 cause of death by disease of Canadian Children;

**AND WHEREAS** there are over 200 types of childhood cancers not including subtypes and mutations;

**AND WHEREAS** childhood cancer places a tremendous financial burden on families;

**AND WHEREAS** over 75% of childhood cancer survivors live with at least one chronic health condition and a third of these are severe or life-threatening;

**AND WHEREAS** little is known about what causes childhood cancer with limits the opportunities for prevention;

**AND WHEREAS** additional awareness and funding for childhood cancer is needed as only 4-6 cents from every research dollar goes toward childhood cancer research;

**AND WHEREAS** annually, September is officially recognized as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month by the Province of Ontario.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Corporation of the Town of Pelham does hereby proclaim the month of September 2024 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

**DATED AT** the Town of Pelham this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

Mayor Marvin Junkin Town of Pelham