

A Proclamation of Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week April 23rd-29th, 2017

WHEREAS, Approximately 4,500 Canadians are waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant. Unfortunately, more than 250 such Canadians die each year waiting. One organ donor can save up to eight lives. You are <u>six</u> times more likely to need a transplant than to become an organ donor. Less than 5% of all hospital deaths qualify for organ donation. Age doesn't matter; and

WHEREAS, We encourage you to have open discussions with loved ones about organ donation. You can indicate your wishes to be an organ donor on your MCP card. 25,000 Newfoundlanders registered to be an organ donor through MCP in 2016.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Mayor Pender, on behalf of City Council, do hereby proclaim April 23-29, 2017 as "Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week" in the City of Corner Brook and urge all residents of Corner Brook to talk to your family about organ and tissue donation and register your intent with MCP.

DATED at Corner Brook, Newfoundland, this 10th day of April 2017.

Charles Pender, Mayor