

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, hidradenitis suppurativa (HS) is a chronic, inflammatory skin disease characterized by extremely painful nodules and abscesses which form most commonly in sensitive areas of the body and can be life-altering for those affected;

AND WHEREAS, it is estimated that four per cent of Canadians are impacted by hidradenitis suppurativa;

AND WHEREAS, the average Canadian HS patient will see five doctors with over 17 visits spanning eight years before being diagnosed;

AND WHEREAS, with increased awareness and education, individuals will be able to get a diagnosis and treatment for this debilitating disease more quickly;

THEREFORE I, MAYOR DON IVESON, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE 7-13, 2021 "HIDRADENITIS SUPPURATIVA AWARENESS WEEK" IN EDMONTON, ALBERTA'S CAPITAL CITY.

Dated this 7th day of June, 2021

Don Iveson Mayor of the City of Edmonton