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CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

WORLD TUBERCULOSIS DAY March 24, 2025

WHEREAS

World Tuberculosis (TB) Day is recognized on March 24th each year as an official global public health campaign of the World Health Organization (WHO) and Stop TB Partnership; and

WHEREAS

This provides an opportunity to enhance public awareness and education of TB and reduce stigma and fear associated with TB diagnosis; and

WHEREAS

This formally acknowledges the courage and strength of those diagnosed with TB disease or TB infection, which by completing treatment, have protected others from TB; and

WHEREAS

The vision of the End TB Strategy is A WORLD FREE OF TB — zero deaths, disease and suffering due to TB, but we are not on target to meet the 2025 milestone:

WHEREAS

There are vital areas to focus on, such as financial needs to scale up implementation and speed up research and development of new tools, (including a TB vaccine, access to rapid diagnosis and shorter and more efficient treatment regimens), TB prevention, and TB in children; and

NOW **THEREFORE** I, Patrick Johnstone, Mayor of the City of New Westminster do hereby proclaim Monday, March 24th 2025 as

WORLD TUBERCULOSIS DAY

In the City of New Westminster, Province of British Columbia.

Patrick Johnstone

MAYOR

