

Proclamation

October 9, 2018

PANDA/PANS Awareness Day

WHEREAS, the City of Leduc wishes to increase awareness of serious illnesses that affect the lives of its citizens such as PANDAS (Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with Streptococcal Infections) and PANS (Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndromes); and

WHEREAS, a diagnosis of PANDAS or PANS means a child has a sudden, dramatic change in personality displayed as Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD) together with accompanying symptoms following an infection; and,

WHEREAS, this year hundreds of Canadians across Canada will honour PANDAS/PANS children by donating blood at their local Canada Blood Services clinic; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary that there be greater public awareness of this health issue at the local, provincial and national levels.

THEREFORE, I hereby designate that October 9, 2018 is **PANDA/PANS Awareness Day** in Leduc, Alberta.

Leduc CityCouncil

- Beverly Beckett
- Glen FinstadTerry Lazowski
- Bill Hamilton
- Laura Tillack

• Lars Hansen



