

PROCLAMATION

Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) is the most common of all birth defects occurring in about one in every 100 births. Heart defects are present at birth and affect the structure of the heart and how blood flows throughout the heart and body.

Whereas:

More than 50 percent of all children born with CHD will require

at least one invasive surgery in their lifetime;

Whereas:

Survival of children with CHD has greatly improved thanks to

advances in medical technology, but for some, CHD means

lifelong care;

Whereas:

With more patients reaching adulthood, continued efforts in

fundraising and research is required to ensure access to ongoing

care and support.

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Calgary, I hereby proclaim the week of February 7-14, 2019 as:

"CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK"

NAHEED K. NENSHI

MAYOR

