

# City of Burnaby



## Proclamation

### TERRY FOX MONTH

**Whereas** Terry Fox quietly began his Marathon of Hope on April 12, 1980 in St. John's, Newfoundland, to increase the Canadian people's awareness of cancer and to raise funds for research to find a cure; and

**WHEREAS** Terry Fox, at the age of 21 and having had a leg amputated due to bone cancer, endeavored to run across Canada, covering 5,373 kilometers over 143 days, the equivalent to a 42-kilometre marathon each day, until he was forced to stop due to a recurrence of cancer; and

**WHEREAS** In the past 39 years, including Terry's Marathon of Hope, world-wide events in Terry's name have raised over 750 million dollars for cancer research, making it one of the largest cancer research funding events in the world; and

**WHEREAS** Many lives have been saved and countless lives have been made better through discoveries that were made possible because of cancer research funding; and

**WHEREAS** The citizens of Burnaby have shown support for this research by coordinating, volunteering for, and participating in, our local Terry Fox Run, and in the process have raised nearly \$412,000 for the Terry Fox Foundation at the Central Park event; and

**WHEREAS** There will be three Terry Fox events in Burnaby in September, including the 39th annual Burnaby Terry Fox Run on Sunday, 15th September which will continue the legacy of a brave Canadian who set out to make a difference, a symbol for all British Columbians, of hope, courage and determination in the fight against cancer.

NOW THEREFORE I, MIKE HURLEY, MAYOR OF BURNABY,  
DO HEREBY PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER AS

## "TERRY FOX MONTH"

IN THE CITY OF BURNABY.

DATED THIS NINTH DAY OF  
SEPTEMBER, 2019 A.D.

MIKE HURLEY  
MAYOR

