



June 14, 2022

Moved by Councillor  
Seconded by Councillor

**WHEREAS** over 194,000 Canadians living with hepatitis C and approximately 380,710 living with hepatitis B can potentially develop cirrhosis, liver failure, liver cancer and related illnesses; and

**WHEREAS** Ontario has over 110,000 people living with hepatitis B or C, both of which are slow and progressive diseases; and

**WHEREAS** there are vaccines available for Hepatitis A and B; emerging Hepatitis C treatment therapies can cure over 95% of cases; and

**WHEREAS** World Hepatitis Day provides an opportunity to reach out to millions of Canadians and encourage hepatitis testing, provide treatment and care for those affected while paving the way towards elimination of hepatitis as a public health concern in Canada by 2030; and

**NOW THEREFORE** I, Mayor William C. Steele, do hereby proclaim July 28, 2022 as "World Hepatitis Day" in the City of Port Colborne.

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William C. Steele  
Mayor