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World Mental Health Day

- WHEREAS** over 450 million individuals around the world are living with mental illness that could benefit from early diagnosis and appropriate and adequate treatment and support; and
- WHEREAS** fewer than one-half of those who could benefit from early diagnosis and treatment for mental illness receive any treatment or care at all; and
- WHEREAS** mental illness such as anxiety disorders, major depressive disorder, bipolar disorder, and schizophrenia are leading causes of poor work performance, family disruptions, and even suicide, and contribute greatly to the global burden of the disease; and
- WHEREAS** the World Federation for Mental Health urges increased effort and action by the general public, the general healthcare system, and elected and appointed public policy makers, with the intention to improve mental health services and ready access to services by those experiencing serious mental health problems and disorders;
- NOW THEREFORE** I, Mayor Roxanne Carr, do hereby proclaim October 10, 2017 as "World Mental Health Day" in Strathcona County.

Dated this 12 day of September, 2017.

Signed by

Roxanne Carr, Mayor