



## PROCLAMATION

### Respiratory Therapy Week October 25 – 31, 2020

**Whereas** the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists (CSRT) serves to educate the public about the varied roles and responsibilities of respiratory therapists, supports environments that foster innovation and knowledge translation, and promotes excellence in evidence-based care; and

**Whereas** CSRT raises awareness of the significant contributions made by respiratory therapists across our health care system; and

**Whereas** respiratory therapists use their expertise in the assessment and management of respiratory disease, in patient and family education, and in the resuscitation and stabilization of critically ill or injured patients, working in hospitals, clinics and the community to help members of the community breathe easier; and

**Whereas** respiratory therapists are frontline workers, providing care to those infected by COVID-19 performing life sustaining procedures, mobilizing supplies, designing pandemic ventilators and adjusting protocols to best function under the parameters of this new, highly contagious infection and they continue to provide essential care to a wide range of patients across the health care system; and

**Whereas** CSRT proclaims the last week in October as Respiratory Therapy Week in Canada, to celebrate the respiratory therapy profession and the outstanding dedication and passion of respiratory therapists;

**Therefore**, I, Mayor Bryan Paterson, on behalf of Kingston City Council, hereby proclaim October 25 to 31, 2020 to be "Respiratory Therapy Week" in the City of Kingston.

**Dated** at Kingston this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

  
Bryan Paterson  
Mayor

