



DECLARATION

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WHEREAS: Sepsis is a life-threatening illness caused by the body's overreaction to an infection that can affect anyone and, if not recognized and treated promptly, may lead to shock, multiple organ failure, death, or long-term disability;

AND WHEREAS: Early signs of sepsis may include fever, a rapid heart rate, and fast breathing that can affect vital organs and cause symptoms such as shortness of breath, reduced urine output, dizziness, or changes in mental status, including confusion, agitation, or extreme drowsiness;

AND WHEREAS: Many individuals diagnosed with sepsis require care in intensive care units, placing a considerable and ongoing burden on the health care system and contributing to substantial health care costs in Canada;

AND WHEREAS: The Government of Alberta recognizes the ongoing efforts of organizations and researchers dedicated to advancing the understanding of sepsis, and improving its prevention, early detection, and treatment.

THEREFORE: I, ADRIANA LAGRANGE MINISTER OF PRIMARY AND PREVENTATIVE HEALTH SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTION 3(1)(a) OF THE SPECIAL DAYS ACT, HEREBY DECLARE SEPTEMBER 13 AS WORLD SEPSIS DAY IN PERPETUITY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.

DATED at *Edmonton*, ALBERTA THIS *4* DAY
OF *May*, YEAR. *2026*

Adriana LaGrange
The Honourable Adriana LaGrange
Minister of Primary and Preventative Health Services