OLIVIA CHOW
MAYOR

Proclamation

Early Age Onset Cancer Awareness Day

November 19, 2026

WHEREAS early age onset cancer refers to cancers diagnosed in adults under the age of 50. Although cancer is more common in older adults, the increasing incidence of certain cancers among younger adults is an emerging public health concern in Canada.

A cancer diagnosis can affect younger adults during important stages of education, employment, relationships and family life. Greater awareness of persistent or unusual symptoms, individual risk factors and family history can help people know when to seek medical advice and support timely diagnosis and care.

Early Age Onset Cancer Awareness Day provides an opportunity to increase understanding of the experiences of younger adults affected by cancer and to recognize the importance of access to information, care and support.

The City of Toronto acknowledges individuals and organizations that provide information, resources and support to people affected by cancer and their families and recognizes their work to raise awareness and connect people with services and supports.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Olivia Chow, on behalf of Toronto City Council, do hereby proclaim **November 19, 2026,** as **"Early Age Onset Cancer Awareness Day"** in the City of Toronto.

Olivia Chow
Mayor of Toronto

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