



## **PROCLAMATION**

### **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**

**April 16<sup>th</sup> to April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

- WHEREAS:** 24 million Canadians give their time through formal or informal types of volunteering, contributing close to 5 billion volunteer hours per year; and
- WHEREAS:** volunteers in Fredericton mentor our children, support those feeling isolated, beautify our green spaces, and fundraise for our charitable organizations; and
- WHEREAS:** volunteers in Fredericton have stepped up during the COVID-19 pandemic to support families, friends, neighbors, and strangers, people standing up to systemic racism, and people sharing insights on how to create a more just and equitable society; and
- WHEREAS:** Fredericton's volunteers are individuals, families, workers, retirees, community members of all ages and backgrounds; and
- WHEREAS:** the collective result of the work done by our city's volunteers is that Fredericton is a more desirable place to live; and
- WHEREAS:** volunteers lending their time to local non-profits, organizations, festivals, music, art, dance, and sport.
- THEREFORE:** I, Kate Rogers, Mayor of the City of Fredericton, do hereby proclaim that April 16-22, 2023, shall be known as "**National Volunteer Week**" in Fredericton.

MAYOR