



THE CITY OF WINDSOR

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MAYOR

THE CITY OF WINDSOR IS PLEASED TO SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE
OF THE CROHN'S AND COLITIS FOUNDATION OF CANADA (CCFC)
IN RESEARCHING AND DISCOVERING A CURE

Some 200,000 people in Canada contend on a daily basis with the discomforts and debilitating of Crohn's Disease and ulcerative colitis known together as inflammatory bowel disease (IBD).

Progress has been made as health professionals examine the causes of these conditions and seek lasting cures to replace the treatments of today, which lessen but do not eliminate the discomforts of IBD. The fact that Canada has one of the world's highest incidences of inflammatory bowel disease makes the mission of the CCFC even more vital.

The City of Windsor is heartened by the strides which have been taken in combating IBD, but we also recognize the dedication which must yet be devoted and the resources which must be directed toward finding more effective treatments and eventually, of course, a cure.

We applaud that in November of this year, the CCFC is launching an initiative through the Web site www.getgutsymonth.com to urge Canadians to share their experiences with IBD and promote understanding of its conditions and the measures being initiated to combat it.

With this, the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada further raises awareness of IBD and of the various community events which are being arranged to support a struggle which must be won.

The members of Windsor City Council and our residents join me in supporting the proclamation of November, 2008, as Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month, and in extending every good wish to the CCFC as it advances work which will eventually end yet another serious health challenge affecting so many of our fellow citizens.

Sincerely,

Eddie Francis
Mayor