

## CITY OF COLVILLE PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem- solvers who unite and take action to create lasting change in communities across the globe; and

WHEREAS, poliomyelitis, or polio is a paralyzing and potentially fatal disease that still threatens children in some parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, polio is not curable but can be prevented, and can be eradicated, similarly to small- pox; and

WHEREAS, Rotary in 1985 launched PolioPlus and in 1988 helped establish the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

WHEREAS, to date, Rotary has contributed more than US\$1.9 billion and countless volunteer hours to protecting more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries; and

WHEREAS, Rotary is working to raise an additional \$50 million per year, which would be leveraged for maximum impact by an additional \$100 million annually from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; and

WHEREAS, these efforts are providing much-needed operational support, medical staff, laboratory equipment, and educational materials for health workers and parents; and

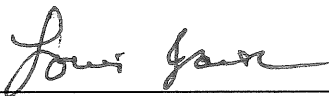
WHEREAS, October 24, 2019 has been designated World End Polio Day; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Colville, who has joined in this effort to eradicate polio, is inviting all citizens of Colville to wear red on October 24th and recognize what has been achieved and what still must be done;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Louis F. Janke, Mayor do hereby proclaim October 24, 2019 as

### COLVILLE END POLIO NOW DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Colville to be affixed this 18th day of October, 2019.



Louis F. Janke, Mayor

Attest:



Holly Pannell, MMC  
City Clerk/Human Resources Manager