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# Proclamation

## May 2025 Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Awareness Month

**Whereas**, Multiple sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling neurological disease affecting an estimated 1 in 400 Canadians and approximately 90,000 across the country; and

**Whereas**, Multiple sclerosis symptoms vary widely and may lead to problems with numbness, coordination, vision and speech, as well as extreme fatigue and even paralysis; and

**Whereas**, there is no known cause of, prevention of, or cure for multiple sclerosis; and

**Whereas**, the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada is the only national organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people with MS and their families. Annual fundraising events such as the MS Walk, MS Bike, and A & W Canada's Burgers to Beat MS campaign support programs to enhance the lives of people affected by multiple sclerosis and their families and support MS research in Canada; and

**Whereas**, since 1948, the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada has contributed \$200 million towards MS research; and is grateful for the dedication and commitment of its supporters and volunteers that has made this possible; and

**Whereas**, together we will find ways to enhance the quality of lives for people affected by multiple sclerosis and to find a cure to end MS; and

**Now Therefore**, I, Mayor Gardhouse, and on behalf of Council, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025, as "**MS Awareness Month**" in the Township of East Garafraxa.

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Mayor Guy Gardhouse