PROCLAMATION
Diabetes Awareness Month - November 2026
and
World Diabetes Day - November 14, 2026

WHEREAS, diabetes is a serious condition affecting more than 590 million people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, over 11 million Canadians live with diabetes or pre-diabetes; and

WHEREAS, 345,500 Nova Scotians live with diabetes or pre-diabetes; and

WHEREAS, diabetes contributes to 30 per cent of strokes, 40 per cent of heart attacks, 50 per cent of kidney failure requiring dialysis and 70 per cent of all non-traumatic amputations; and

WHEREAS, there is a great need to raise funds for research into better methods of treatment and ultimately a cure; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes Canada is leading the fight against diabetes by helping those affected by diabetes live healthy lives, preventing the onset and consequences of diabetes, and discovering a cure; and

WHEREAS, maintaining health and wellness can, in many cases, prevent pre-diabetes and Type 2 diabetes as well as benefit diabetes management; and

WHEREAS, the discovery of insulin 105 years ago was a game changer but not a cure. We can't wait another 100 years to end diabetes - the time for action is now; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes Canada encourages governmental and non-governmental organizations to observe Diabetes Awareness Month and recognize World Diabetes Day in order to raise public awareness of diabetes and its related complications; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Nancy Dicks, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2026 as **"Diabetes Awareness Month"** in the Town of New Glasgow and November 14, 2026, as **"World Diabetes Day"** in the Town of New Glasgow.

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Mayor Nancy Dicks