



City of Courtenay

Proclamation

World Primary Immunodeficiency Week April 22-29, 2026

- WHEREAS: Primary immunodeficiencies (PIs) are inherited, genetic conditions that affect immune system development, and/or how it functions. There are over 500 types, which widely range in their severity, and 70-90% of people with a PI are still undiagnosed worldwide; and
- WHEREAS: World Primary Immunodeficiency Week, celebrated April 22-April 29 2026, allows patients to connect and educate the general public about what it is like to be immune compromised on a daily basis; and
- WHEREAS: The World PI Week theme for 2026 is “We can’t wait: Calling for early diagnosis and timely treatment and support”. This acknowledges the importance of and benefits to patients, caregivers and the healthcare system of early diagnosis and treatment, and that awareness-raising through sharing stories and embodied knowledge is vital to achieving this goal; and
- WHEREAS: ImmUnity Canada will unite its supporters across Courtenay during World PI Week by providing online awareness events for patients and their families, and helping patients and caregivers to share their stories with the public;
- NOW
THEREFORE: I, Bob Wells, Mayor of the City of Courtenay, do hereby proclaim April 22 – 29, 2026 as World Primary Immunodeficiency Week in Courtenay, BC.

Mayor Bob Wells