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DOWN SYNDROME DAY ACT

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PREAMBLE

WHEREAS Down syndrome is a naturally occurring chromosomal arrangement that has always been a part of the human condition, exists in all regions across the globe and commonly results in variable effects on learning styles, physical characteristics or health;

AND WHEREAS the inherent dignity, worth and valuable contributions of persons with intellectual disabilities should be recognized as promoters of the well-being and diversity of their communities, and the importance of their individual autonomy and independence, including the freedom to make their own choices;

AND WHEREAS it is important to take measures to raise awareness throughout society, including at the family level, regarding persons with Down syndrome;

THEREFORE it is appropriate to establish a day to promote awareness about Down syndrome.

1. Down Syndrome Awareness Day, March 21st

March 21st in each year is proclaimed as Down Syndrome Awareness Day in Prince Edward Island. *2020, c.88, s.1.*