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Langley City Hall
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Dear Mayor van den Broek and City Council,

We are writing you on behalf of the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists – British Columbia (CAMRT-BC) to request that you share information about Medical Radiation Technologist Week 2022, taking place November 6-12, at your Regular Council Meeting on October 24 or November 7.

Medical Radiation Technologist Week is an annual celebration (which falls on the week of November 8th every year) to convey the important message about the essential link MRTs provide between technology and patients in Canada's healthcare system. MRTs include Radiological Technologists, Nuclear Medicine Technologists, Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists, and Radiation Therapists.

As frontline healthcare providers, MRTs provide vital medical imaging and radiation therapy services, allowing patients to fully benefit from the latest in medical diagnostic and treatment technology. Collectively, the care provided by MRTs impacts millions of British Columbians – as patients or as family members of patients receiving imaging or radiation therapy. To name a few examples: B.C.'s team of mobile mammographers visit more than 170 rural communities, including more than 40 First Nations communities annually, extending the reach of BC Cancer's breast screening services. In 2021-22, B.C.'s MRTs performed more than one million MRI and CT scans – the most ever completed in one year in the province. In the same year, MRTs specializing in nuclear medicine performed about 110 thousand procedures across 25 hospitals in B.C. and Radiation Therapists treated 13,879 patients at 222,330 radiation therapy appointments across B.C.'s six regional cancer centres.

We hope the City of Langley will join us in recognizing the value of the MRT profession to our healthcare system and communities as well as to encourage others to enter this vital profession. Thank you for considering this request. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at serdelyi@camrt.ca.

Sincerely,

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