## RAREsies Rule/Ollier's Disease Canada First ever RARE DISEASE DAY Flag Raising Ceremony

Ottawa City Hall, February 29, 2020 at 10am.

The official International Rare Disease Day Flag will proudly rise to the top and gently let the wind surround itself with respect and gratitude. As someone who suffers from a rare disease, it has always been my life's passion to raise awareness for those who feel as though they are alone, because they are rare. Having lived through the struggle, pain, and frustration of living with a rare disease and having no one else to turn to and rarely ever able to find resources or support, I decided to merge my life's passion with my own need for answers and support. With that I have become a Patient Advocate and created the RAREsies Rule/Ollier's Disease Canada not-for-profit organization.

This year RAREsies Rule/Ollier's Disease Canada will be proudly hosting the first ever Flag Raising Ceremony at Ottawa City Hall. This is a very important day, one that has been ignored, and rarely spoken of. It is time for a change! Come out to support your family member, your friend, or just to show your support for those who need to see that being RARE doesn't mean you are alone.

With that said, we would greatly appreciate your support on Rare Disease Day. Come join us, attend the ceremony, meet and greet people, and bring your donations for our <u>Fundraising Frenzy</u> to City Hall. Should you have an excess of bags or boxes, arrangements will be made that day for a convenient pick-up.

Click on this link for more information: <a href="https://fundrive.savers.com/e/rarediseasedayfundraisingfrenzy">https://fundrive.savers.com/e/rarediseasedayfundraisingfrenzy</a>.

There will be a podium & microphone, seating as well. Should your rare disease organization or a sponsor wish to speak, donate, or volunteer at this event, please contact us via <a href="mailto:enchonollier@gmail.com">enchonollier@gmail.com</a> or 613-857-1046, by February 25, 2020. Please share this event with as many as possible. Awareness & support are key.

## Prize entries are as follows:

# of bags/ boxes	<u>Prize</u>
1-3	Roll Upz Spare Sols shoes (value \$16.50) Charisma Hair Design Salon (value \$20) Chez Lucien Gift Certificate (valued \$25
4-6	6 piece Box Shadow Picture Frames (value Chez Lucien Gift Certificate (valued \$25) Red Beach AirBag (value \$35)
7-10	H02 Go Slip'n Slide, two slides (value \$35) Black 4 drawer Dresser (value \$60) Hallway Bench & Tree (value \$65)

One entry per donation (bag or box) per person. Fundraiser is from February 1 to March 7, 2020 (which may be extended until further notice)

**KEEP SMILING!!** 

- Joanne