**Amaryllis Letter to the Editor**

This November, the Huntington Society of Canada is celebrating Amaryllis month, with a goal of selling 20,000 Amaryllis kits for the 2018 national Amaryllis Campaign. Each year, amazing volunteers all across Canada sell bulbs to support the campaign, with a collective goal of raising over $100,000 coast-to-coast.

Approximately one in every 7,000 Canadians has Huntington Disease (HD), and many more are touched by HD as a family member or friend. Huntington disease has devastating effects on both the body and the mind and typically strikes in the prime of life, slowly destroying the ability to walk, speak and even swallow. Because it is hereditary, each child of a parent with HD has a 50 per cent chance of inheriting the fatal gene.

By purchasing an Amaryllis, you help support those affected by Huntington disease. Each kit costs $15 and contains one high-quality orange sovereign amaryllis bulb, soil, a pot and saucer, and growing instructions. The flowers make a great gift for any occasion and will bring beautiful brightness to any room.

It always means so much to our community to see Canadians rally together to help others and to give families the hope of a brighter future.

If you would like to purchase an Amaryllis, please don’t hesitate to contact me at **[INSERT YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS]**. More information on the Huntington Society’s 2018 Amaryllis Campaign can be found at [www.inspirehope.ca](http://www.inspirehope.ca).