

# **Committee of the Whole Report**

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 05, 2019 **WARD(S):** ALL

TITLE: PROCLAMATION REQUEST
EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH AND PURPLE DAY

FROM:

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ACTION: DECISION

#### **Purpose**

To seek Council approval to proclaim March 2019 as Epilepsy Awareness Month and March 26, 2019 as Purple Day, and to post the proclamation on the City's website.

## **Report Highlights**

- Respond to the request received from Epilepsy York Region.
- Proclamation requested for the month of March 2019 and March 26, 2019.

#### **Recommendations**

- 1. That March 2019 be proclaimed as Epilepsy Awareness Month;
- 2. That March 26, 2019 be proclaimed as Purple Day; and
- 3. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

## **Background**

Correspondence from Epilepsy York Region requesting the proclamation was received in the Office of the City Clerk on February 12, 2019.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

Committee of the Whole - Item 19, Report No.6

#### **Analysis and Options**

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy, as follows:

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns, or other similar matters:

(i) which are promoted by any organization that is a registered charity pursuant to Section 248 of the Income Tax Act."

Epilepsy Awareness Month and Purple Day are efforts dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy. 0Purple Day helps those living with the disorder understand that they are not alone.

Vaughan Council has previously granted this request.

#### **Financial Impact**

There is no expected financial impact with respect to this request.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

There is no expected regional impact with respect to this request.

#### **Conclusion**

Staff is recommending that March 2019 be proclaimed as Epilepsy Awareness Month, that March 26, 2019 be proclaimed as Purple Day, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

For more information, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk

## **Attachment**

 Correspondence from Executive Director, Epilepsy York Region, dated January 28, 2019

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