

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2019

Item 17, Report No. 11, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on March 19, 2019.

17. PROCLAMATION REQUEST EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH AND PURPLE DAY

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, dated March 5, 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.

Committee of the Whole Report

DATE: Tuesday, March 05, 2019

WARD(S): ALL

**TITLE: PROCLAMATION REQUEST
EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH AND PURPLE DAY**

FROM:

Nick Spensieri, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services

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

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

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Monday, January 28th, 2019

Epilepsy York Region
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Whitchurch-Stouffville, ON
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Dear Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua,

As Executive Director of Epilepsy York Region, a non-profit organization that provides support, education and advocacy to affected individuals and their families in York Region for over 30 years. I am emailing you regarding recognition of March as epilepsy awareness month and March 26th as Purple Day in support of epilepsy.

Purple Day is a national effort celebrated on March 26th which is dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy worldwide. The campaign is held during the entire month of March and especially on March 26th, inviting people around the world to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy. Purple Day dispels the myths about epilepsy and helps people living with the disorder to understand that they are not alone.

We would appreciate if the City of Vaughan would proclaim March as Epilepsy Awareness Month, and March 26th as Purple Day and issue a proclamation to that effect.

Yours truly,



Claudia Cozza
Executive Director



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