

Dear Ms. Gouzvaris, Mr. Coles, and the Council Office to Hon. Mayor Bevilacqua,

My name Jess Silver. I am the Founder and Executive Director of Flex for Access Inc., a Registered Non-Profit Organization for Cerebral Palsy, adaptive fitness and sport promotion awareness and using fitness and sport as a means of management of CP and other physical disabilities and injuries. The organization has a local, National and Global impact on creating opportunities for adaptive fitness and sport education and actionable opportunity in the mainstream. (www.flexforaccess.ca)

In addition to being the Non-Profit Organization's Founder and Executive Director, I am also an individual who has Cerebral Palsy myself, medical writer, adaptive athlete and I use my lived experience to inspire, educate others and create newfound understandings of the condition. I would like to request that October 6, 2021, which is World CP Day, be proclaimed World CP Day and have Vaughan City Hall be lit up Green which is the colour of awareness and growth of education for Cerebral Palsy.

I would like for Vaughan City Hall, to be lit up Green in support of Cerebral Palsy to educate and empower others to develop new ways of understanding CP not as limiting, but to understand that every individual encounters adversity and needs to be given opportunities to feel part of the larger society, empowered and to develop strength.

I would appreciate it if my request be taken into consideration as more awareness must be allocated to CP which affects 70 million individuals and counting, globally.

Thank you very much,

Best Regards,

Jess Silver