

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017

Item 19, Report No. 6, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on February 21, 2017.

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**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 City Clerk, dated February 7, 2017:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

1. That March 2017 be proclaimed as Epilepsy Awareness Month;
2. That March 26, 2017 be proclaimed as “Purple Day”; and
3. That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page online.

Contribution to Sustainability

Not applicable.

Economic Impact

Not applicable.

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City’s website under “Council – Proclamations” and on the City Page Online.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the March Awareness Coordinator of Epilepsy York Region.

Background - Analysis and Options

Correspondence was received from the March Awareness Coordinator of Epilepsy York Region in the Office of the Mayor and forwarded to the Office of the City Clerk.

The proclamation request 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 York Region is a non-profit organization that provides support, education and advocacy to both affected individuals living with epilepsy, and their families. Purple Day dispels the myths about epilepsy and helps people living with the disorder to understand that they are not alone. Council has previously granted this request.

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Relationship to Term of Council Service Excellence Strategy Map (2014-2018)

This report supports the Term of Council priorities, as outlined in the Service Excellence Strategy Map:

- Continue to ensure the safety and well-being of citizens

Regional Implications

Epilepsy York Region is an organization that provides support, education and advocacy for individuals and families across York Region.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that March 2017 be proclaimed Epilepsy Awareness Month, that March 26, 2017 be proclaimed as “Purple Day”, and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and the City Page Online.

Attachments

Attachment 1 Correspondence from the March Awareness Coordinator, Epilepsy York Region

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)