

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2014

Item 1, Report No. 14, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on April 8, 2014.

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST
GIRLS RIGHTS WEEK**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated March 25, 2014:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

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2. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and published on the City Page Online.

Contribution to Sustainability

N/A

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

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Purpose

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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Regional Implications

This proclamation would be a valued acknowledgement of the lives and contributions of all girls and women living in York Region.

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Attachments

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Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Administrative Assistant to the City Clerk

(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.)

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment 1

February 2014,

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**RE: PROCLAMATION OF GIRLS RIGHTS WEEK,
APRIL 28 – MAY 2, 2014**

York Region is one of the fastest growing and most diverse regions in Canada and provides some of the most wonderful opportunities for community leaders to celebrate the protection of equality within their constituencies.

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We are writing to request participation and leadership from the Town Of Vaughan through the proclamation of *Girl's Rights Week* in Vaughan, April 28th through May 2nd, 2014. Your proclamation would be a valued acknowledgement of the lives and contributions of all girls and women living in York Region.

Girls require and deserve the awareness, attention, and commitment of a wide range of individuals and organizations to promote their healthy development. We thank you for your consideration of our request and we look forward to your positive response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ashley Martin".

Ashley Martin
Program Manager
905-830-0776 ext. 303

