

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 23, 2013

Item 3, Report No. 14, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on April 23, 2013.

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**PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST
CANCER AWARENESS WEEK**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated April 9, 2013:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That April 22 – 29, 2013 be proclaimed as “Cancer Awareness Week”;
- 2) That the “Vaughan in Motion” flag be raised at Vaughan City Hall in the month of April for a period no longer than one week in accordance with the Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy; and
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Contribution to Sustainability

N/A

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

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Purpose

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The proclamation request meets the City's Proclamation Policy as the matter relates to a matter within the City's jurisdiction.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report supports the strategic priorities established by Vaughan Vision 2020 plan:

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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,

Jeffrey A. Abrams
City Clerk



Vaughan in Motion

To Cure Cancer

To the Mayor, Regional Councillors,
And City of Vaughan Council Members,

March 22, 2013

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In June of 1997 the first Walk to Cure Cancer was organized as a project of the Knights of Columbus of Maple. Our council had just received news that one of our youngest brothers had been diagnosed with cancer - he had a brain tumor and was beginning to undergo chemotherapy. As a way to support that brother and his young family the walk was started and the funds were donated to the Canadian Cancer Society. As a testament that cancer can be beaten that brother is still alive today and continues to attend our events.

Since that first event Vaughan in Motion has directed over \$900,000 toward cancer care in our community. Over \$650,000 was donated to the Canadian Cancer Society for research, treatments, and patient care. Another \$225,000 is being held in trust by the VHCF to be spent strictly on cancer care equipment and/or programs in our new Vaughan Hospital. And \$25,000 was just donated to the Mackenzie Health Foundation for a much needed new MRI unit.

In 2013 we are donating 100% of the pledged monies for our "Walk To Cure Cancer" to the Mackenzie Health Foundation for cancer care in our community. Our Walk is being held on Sunday, April 28th at Vaughan Mills; registration is at 9 am and the walk begins at 10 am. Our closing ceremonies happen at noon in the Food court.

We would like to have the week of April 22nd declared "Cancer Awareness Week" with a Vaughan in Motion Flag Raising ceremony similar to last year. Our flag is being stored at the city alongside the flags of Vaughan.

We thank you again for your consideration and look forward to working together again to achieve our goal to cure cancer.

Sincerely,

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President & Co-founder

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With Our Friends-Cancer Can Be Beaten

"Vaughan in Motion To Cure Cancer is a 100% volunteer-staffed, not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting all cancer patients and their families who live in our community by raising vital funds for equipment and programs needed at prevention and treatment of all cancers"

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