#### **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

#### **EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 23, 2013**

Item 5, 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 REQUEST GIRLS RIGHTS 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**

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## **Contribution to Sustainability**

N/A

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# Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic 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.)

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - APRIL 9, 2013

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Respectfully submitted,

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February 2013,

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# RE: PROCLAMATION OF GIRLS RIGHTS WEEK, APRIL 29 – MAY 3, 2013

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 29<sup>th</sup> through May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013. 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,

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