

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2015

Item 42, Report No. 17, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on April 21, 2015.

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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 14, 2015:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

1. That May 4 – 8, 2015 be proclaimed as “Girls Rights Week” in the City of Vaughan; and
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

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 Program Manager of Girls Incorporated of York Region.

Background - Analysis and Options

The correspondence from the Program Manager of Girls Incorporated of York Region, received April 9, 2015 is attached. (Attachment 1) This request was received too late to be placed on the Committee of the Whole Agenda and so it is being added as an addendum.

The proclamation request meets the City’s Proclamation Policy, as follows:

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- (i) Which are promoted by any organization that is a registered charity pursuant to Section 248 of the Income Tax Act”

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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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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City Clerk

March 2015

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**RE: PROCLAMATION OF GIRLS RIGHTS WEEK,
MAY 4 – MAY 8, 2015**

Dear Ms. McEwan,

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.

Girls Incorporated® of York Region (GIYR) is a non-profit youth organization that is dedicated to empowering girls and young women to seek the highest quality of life possible. The programs that we offer are designed to help girls develop to the fullest of their capacities in all areas of life. We actively strive to enhance confidence and self-esteem in girls and young women, while giving them the skills and tools they need in order to be empowered, productive and contributing members of society.

We are writing to request participation and leadership from the Town Of Vaughan through the proclamation of *Girl's Rights Week* in Vaughan, May 4th through May 8th, 2015. 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,

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

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