



PROCLAMATION

Apraxia Awareness Day

- Whereas,** *May 14 marks Childhood Apraxia of Speech Day during which awareness will be raised throughout Canada about Childhood Apraxia of Speech (CAS), an extremely challenging disorder in children;*
- Whereas,** *CAS causes children to have significant difficulty learning to speak and is among the most severe speech deficits in children;*
- Whereas,** *The act of learning to speak comes effortlessly to most children, those with apraxia endure an incredible struggle;*
- Whereas,** *Without appropriate speech therapy intervention, children with apraxia are placed at high risk for secondary impacts in reading, writing, and spelling;*
- Whereas,** *Policy makers, intervention program administrators, schools, and insurance providers are encouraged to recognize the critical need to provide adequate speech therapy and other services so that the impact of this disorder is minimized and so that thousands of affected children can grow into productive adults; and*
- Now, Therefore,** *I, Allan Thompson, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, do hereby proclaim*

May 14, 2022

as

“Apraxia Awareness Day”

in the Town of Caledon and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

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Mayor Allan Thompson