



PROCLAMATION

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- Whereas, World Autism Awareness Day is recognized annually on April 2nd; and*
- Whereas, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) affects more than 135,000 Ontarians on the autism spectrum and ASD is now recognized as the most common neurological disorder affecting 1 in every 66 children, as well as their friends, family and community; and*
- Whereas, ASD is a spectrum disorder, which means it not only manifests itself differently in every individual as well. A child with ASD will become an adult with ASD; and*
- Whereas, Autism Ontario and its chapters share common goals of providing information and education, supporting research, advocating for programs and services for the autism community; and*
- Whereas, They are dedicated to increasing public awareness about autism and the day-to-day issues faced by individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals with whom they interact; and*
- Whereas, This year Autism Speaks Canada's campaign initiative is to "Light us Up" to show support, understanding and acceptance for people with autism;*

Therefore, I, Annette Groves, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, hereby do proclaim

April 2nd, 2024
as
"World Autism Awareness Day"

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

Annette Groves

Mayor Annette Groves, Town of Caledon