



# PROCLAMATION

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*Whereas,*

*Black History Month recognizes the contributions that Black Canadians have made to Canada, shaping its identity; and*

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*Black History Month is our opportunity to learn about and recognize the history of Black Canadians, the role they have played in building our communities, and the vital need to combat racism, discrimination and inequity in our communities, in part through gaining a greater understanding of the discrimination and marginalization faced by Black Canadians; and*

*Whereas,*

*This effort coincides with United Nations' declaration of the International Decade for People of African Descent from 2015 – 2025. This International Decade encourages Canada and other countries to take action to protect and promote the human rights of Black Canadians; and*

*Whereas,*

*Black History Month continues to provide the Town of Caledon with the opportunity to celebrate the contributions and vital role that Black Canadians have made to strengthen the social and cultural mosaic of our community, province and country; and*

*Therefore,*

*I, Mayor Annette Groves, on behalf of the Town of Caledon Council, do hereby proclaim*

**February 2026**

**as**

**"Black History Month"**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Annette Groves".

*Mayor Annette Groves, Town of Caledon*