



# PROCLAMATION

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- Whereas, Crohn's and Colitis Canada, a national, volunteer-based charity supporting the 270,000 Canadians living with inflammatory bowel disease, a chronic autoimmune disease that causes the body to attack healthy tissue, leading to inflammation of all or part of the digestive system; and*
- Whereas, People living with Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) routinely endure abdominal pain, cramping, fatigue, internal bleeding, and frequent and urgent bowel movements—in some cases over 20 times a day; and*
- Whereas, More than 5 million people globally live with inflammatory bowel disease, Canada has one of the highest prevalence rates in the world. By 2030, experts predict the number of Canadians living with inflammatory bowel disease to exceed 400,000 – one percent of the population. Currently, there is no cure; and*
- Whereas, Every November, Canada celebrates Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month and red is worn to show support for the initiative.*
- Therefore, I, Annette Groves, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, hereby do proclaim*

**November 2024**  
as  
**"Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month"**

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

*Annette Groves*

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*Mayor Annette Groves, Town of Caledon*