

June 18, 2018

His Worship Mayor David Barrow 225 East Beaver Creek Road Richmond Hill, ON L4B 3P4

Dear Mayor Barrow,

On behalf of the Coaches Association of Ontario, we would like to thank you for reviewing our request to issue an official proclamation recognizing National Coaches Week from September 22 - 30 in the City of Richmond Hill.

National Coaches Week encourages Canadians to say thanks and celebrate the tremendous positive impact coaches have on athletes and communities. This week will focus on putting a spotlight on coaches and give this, largely volunteer, integral part of Canadian sport a thanks.

With events held across the province and country to celebrate coaching, National Coaches Week provides coaches with the recognition they deserve for the time they devote to ensuring Canadians live an active, healthy lifestyle. I am requesting that September 22<sup>nd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be publicly proclaimed National Coaches Week in Richmond Hill to say thanks to the more than 300,000 coaches who call Richmond Hill and Ontario home.

Throughout the week, communities all across Ontario will be showing their support for coaches through community events, proclamations and lightings to celebrate and recognize coaches. For more information on our organization and the 4<sup>th</sup> annual National Coaches week initiative, please visit www.coachesontario.ca/coachesweek.

The Coaches Association of Ontario is an independent, non-profit, coach-led organization, founded in 2002, that strengthens development opportunities and provides resources, representation and recognition for coaches in all sports of all levels. We believe coaches' contributions should be financed and rewarded appropriately, and the Coaches Association of Ontario advocates that sports and the coaching profession continue in a culture of innovation, continual renewal and professional development.

I look forward to working with you on this years' National Coaches Week.

Thank you,

Susan Kitchen | Executive Director

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