



APPLICATION FOR PROCLAMATION

(Please complete and submit your completed form to the Town Clerk @ clerks@richmondhill.ca at least three weeks in advance of the occasion)

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ORGANIZATION NAME: York Region Gift of Life Association

CONTACT NAME: Mr. [] Mrs. [] Ms. [☒] Miss [] Kathleen Crosbie

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CITY/TOWN: Richmond Hill

PROVINCE: Ontario **POSTAL CODE:** L4C 5H8

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PROCLAMATION REQUESTED (Name or title of proclamation):

April 2019 Be A Donor Month

DATES OF PROCLAMATION (Please check and insert dates)

☒ Day(s) April 7 - Green Shirt Day ☐ Week

☒ Month April 2019

PURPOSE OF PROCLAMATION (Please check all that apply):

☐ Civic Promotions ☒ Public Awareness Campaign ☐ Charitable Fundraising Campaign

☐ Arts and Cultural Celebration ☐ Special Honor for individual or Organization

☐ Other (please explain)

DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ORGANIZATION (Please include a brief description and any other relevant information related to your request. Additional information/documentation may be attached to this application):

York Region Gift of Life Association is a small volunteer group whose role is to encourage others to register their desire to be an organ donor and discuss with family their decision.

See attached powerpoint which explains the significance of 'Green Shirt Day'. Hopefully, going forward, April as donor month, and the 7th as 'Green Shirt Day' will be recognized every year.

Has the same or a similar proclamation been requested of the Richmond Hill Council in past years?

☐ Yes (insert date of previous request)

☒ No (new request)

You must provide the draft wording for your proclamation in order to receive an official signed proclamation from the Mayor.

The personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act. The information is used for the purpose of processing the application for proclamation. Questions about this collection of information can be made to the Town Clerk (905) 771-8800.

SIGNATURE: K L Crosbie **DATE:** March 12, 2019

PLEASE RETURN OUR COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM TO:

Office of the Clerk

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, ON L4B 3P4

clerks@richmondhill.ca; Fax 905-771-2502

2019 BeADonor Month Proclamation Template

I, Mayor X X, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as “**BeADonor” Month** in the City/Town of XXX;

Whereas, “BeADonor” Month supports organ and tissue donor registration; and

Whereas, over 1,600 people in Ontario are on the waitlist and every three days someone dies waiting for a live-saving organ transplant; and

Whereas, in 2018 333 deceased and 274 living donors saved the lives of 1,236 people through transplant, and 2,413 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands more through the gift of eyes, bone, skin or heart valves; and

Whereas, research shows the majority of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet just 33% of eligible Ontarians have registered their consent to donate; and

Whereas, families almost always consent to donation *when there is evidence a loved one registered their decision to donate*, but in the absence of a registered donation decision, families consent only half of the time; and

Whereas, everyone is a potential organ and tissue donor, regardless of age; one organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 more through the gift of tissue; and

Now Therefore, I encourage all citizens to learn more about the organ and tissue donation and transplantation, and consider pledging their support to “BeADonor” Month by registering as a donor at BeADonor.ca.

X X

Mayor

Green Shirt Day for Organ Donor Awareness/Registration in Honour of the “Logan Boulet Effect”



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Why Green Shirt Day

- 90% of Canadians say they support organ donation.
- Only 33% are registered in Ontario.
- People love to rally around a human story, and the nation was inspired by Logan Boulet and the Humboldt Strong last year.
- Over 100,000 people registered last year after Logan donated his organs, in what later became known as the “Logan Boulet Effect”



REGISTER

- In Ontario, go to BeADonor.ca to register.
- Register your wishes Today!
- It only takes 2 minutes.



TALK to YOUR FAMILY

- Sit down with your family and be sure they know your decision.
- If there comes a time when one has to be made, they will have the final say, whether or not your organs are donated.
- Ensure the right choice is made for you!



BE INSPIRED

- LETS CREATE A VIRTUAL FLASH MOB across the country on APRIL 7!
 - To increase registration and create awareness.
 - To honour and respect Logan Boulet and all donors who give selflessly each year.
 - It's easy, it's inclusive and it's free!
- LIVE LIFE, Pass it on!



BE INSPIRED

The 1st VIRTUAL FLASH MOB for Organ Donation:

- **Gather with your friends, families and/or sports teams on April 7, 2018**
- **Wear Green.** You can purchase the inaugural Green Shirt Day t-shirt here: <https://greenshirtday.go.customprintcenter.ca/> or, wear anything green that day!
- At exactly 3pm ET, across Canada, where ever you happen to be, **GO LIVE on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter** and Share your support by liking and posting!
- Follow us @greenshirtday, use the hashtag #greenshirtday and #BeADonor (in Ontario).



School participation: April 8th

- On Monday April 8th schools and workplaces are being asked to wear green shirts, to show their support for national green shirt day.
- Remember to take a selfie, post it using the hashtag #greenshirtday and #BeADonor
- Spread the word!





Questions?

Please visit:

<https://greenshirtday.ca>

Or: www.BeADonor.ca

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