2022 SAMPLE PROCLAMATION FOR APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, childhood apraxia of speech is a challenging speech disorder that affects nearly 1-in-1,000 children.

WHEREAS, children with childhood apraxia of speech will not learn to speak without frequent, intensive and appropriate speech therapy.

WHEREAS, a lack of appropriate speech therapy intervention may impact not only communication but also individual outcomes in education, independence, mental wellness, and employment.

WHEREAS, public awareness about childhood apraxia of speech in the City of Kawartha Lakes is essential for families of children with childhood apraxia of speech and the professionals who support them to best advocate for needed services for children learning to use their own voice.

WHEREAS, our highest respect goes to children with childhood apraxia of speech and to their families for their effort, determination and resilience in the face of obstacles.

THEREFORE, I, David West, Mayor, do hereby proclaim May 14th, 2022 as Apraxia Awareness Day in the City of Richmond Hill.

Apraxia Kids is the leading nonprofit that strengthens the support systems in the lives of children with apraxia of speech. Please visit www.apraxia-kids.org for more information.