



# Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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January 10, 2019

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Eating Disorder Awareness Week	Proclamation	February 1 – 7, 2019	N/A

**From:** Suzanne Fauchon [<mailto:sfauchon@matticevalcote.ca>]

**Sent:** January 10, 2019 2:28 PM

**Subject:** Council resolution - Declaration of office

Good afternoon,

Our Municipal Council recently passed a resolution asking the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to amend paragraph 4 of municipal council members' Declaration of office.

Enclosed herewith you will find a copy of said resolution, and of its accompanying letter, which have been sent to the Minister, to the Premier and to our parliament representatives.

We would appreciate your support in this regard.

Sincerely,



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**CAO/Clerk**

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December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Office of the Minister  
777 Bay Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Attention: Honourable Steve Clark, Minister

Honourable Minister,

Re: Paragraph 4 of the Declaration of Office

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Section 232 of the *Municipal Act, 2001 (Ontario)* provides that a person cannot take a seat on the council of a municipality until he or she takes the declaration of office on the form established by the Minister for that purpose.

In its current version, the declaration of office contains a statement whereby newly elected members of Council promise and declare their faith and allegiance to the Queen. Said statement is considered by many as irrelevant to the current political state of affairs, while many others find it simply offensive.

The Municipality of Mattice – Val Côté recently passed the enclosed resolution requesting that your Ministry amend paragraph 4 of the Declaration of Office in order to address these very legitimate concerns.

Sincerely yours,

Marc Dupuis  
Mayor

Encl. Resolution no. 18-190

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Meeting no. 18-15

Resolution no. 18-190

Date: December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Moved by: Daniel Grenier

Seconded by: Steve Brousseau

WHEREAS the requirement for members of municipal Council to be faithful and to bear true allegiance to the Queen is considered by many to be outdated and representative of a different era, and;

WHEREAS said requirement can go against or be contrary to an individual's culture, principles and beliefs, and;

WHEREAS said requirement presents an obstacle for some individuals who would have otherwise been willing to run for Council and serve at the municipal level of government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and its Minister modify the wording of paragraph four of the Declaration of Office to make it more inclusive and representative of the times, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Ministry consider replacing paragraph four of the Declaration of Office with the following wording: "I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to my country, Canada, and to its three founding nations", and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, to our provincial and federal parliament representatives, Guy Bourgouin and Carol Hughes, and to all Ontario municipalities.

Carried  Defeated  Deferred

Mayor, Marc Dupuis  
Presiding Officer

**Recorded Vote**

(unanimous unless indicated below)

Name	Yeas	Neas	Abstention
Dupuis, Marc			
Brousseau, Steve			
Grenier, Daniel			
Lemay, Richard			
Malenfant, Joyce			

Certified by:

  
Guylaine Coulombe, CAO/Clerk

**From:** Samantha Blakeley [<mailto:samantha.blakeley@townofws.ca>]

**Sent:** January 10, 2019 1:18 PM

**Subject:** Town of WS Resolution re: Employment Growth Along Highway 404

**RE: Resolution from Councillor Kroon, re: Employment Growth Along Highway 404**

Please be advised that the above-noted matter was placed before Council at its meeting held on December 11, 2018, and the following resolution was passed:

Whereas the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville continues to vigorously support the intent and application of both the Greenbelt Act (2005) and the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act (2001); and

Whereas the “countryside area” or “protected countryside” designations in the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan (2017) and Greenbelt Plan (2017) respectively are not sensitive environmental areas; and

Whereas all lands along the 400-series highways are very attractive to industrial development due to their ease of access to the highway network; and

Whereas not all industrial developments are a threat to the environment; and

Whereas permitting clean industrial development will not only help create jobs, but also recoup cost of the investment in and recapture the value of the 400-series highways; and

Whereas the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has a significant amount of land along Highway 404, that are highly attractive for employment growth; and

Whereas the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is in desperate need for employment growth.

Therefore be it resolved, that the Province of Ontario be requested to consider designating appropriate lands abutting a 400-series highway in the GTHA “Provincially Significant Employment Areas”; and

That the Province of Ontario be requested to amend all its applicable land use plans to permit and encourage clean industrial development on the lands designated “countryside area” or “protected countryside” generally abutting a 400-series highway, and

That the Province of Ontario be further requested to direct all affected municipalities to give high priority to servicing these lands; and

That staff be directed to report back with a detailed proposal for the Gormley lands along Highway 404 within the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville for Council consideration and Provincial approval.

Carried



**Samantha Blakeley**

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January 9, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request a proclamation from Newmarket to recognize the week of February 1<sup>st</sup> to February 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 as Eating Disorder Awareness Week (EDAW). EDAW has been commemorated across Canada since 1988 by established eating disorder organizations, education and public health institutions, and concerned members of the public. It draws attention to the causes, prevalence and impact of eating disorders.

Eating disorders are the number one cause of death among all psychiatric illnesses and are the third most common cause of death in teenage girls. In fact, approximately 1,000,000 Canadians – almost the population of Saskatchewan – meet the diagnostic criteria for an eating disorder. Eating disorders can develop in anyone, regardless of age, ethno-racial background, socioeconomic status, gender or ability. Unfortunately, stigma and secrecy still surround eating disorders, causing many people who are suffering to refrain from seeking help, and to struggle in silence.

We know that through open, supportive dialogue, we can help break the shame and silence that affect Canadians that are living with a diagnosed eating disorder and the millions of others who are struggling with unhealthy food and weight preoccupation. EDAW is a time to increase awareness about eating disorders, their impact and to shed light on the dangerous and pervasive myths that surround them. It is a time of year when Canadians can learn more about eating disorders and about the resources that are available for individuals and family members who are impacted by them.

Municipal recognition of EDAW would help to affirm the experiences of those with a friend, family member, or important person in their life who is dealing with this life-threatening mental illness, and draw attention to the need for eating disorder prevention, research, treatment, and resources. Attached is a document outlining the stated goals of Eating Disorder Awareness Week 2019.

Please proclaim EDAW in Newmarket and help raise awareness and hope among the many who are impacted by this illness.

For more information about Eating Disorder Awareness Week and this request, please contact me.

Thank You.

Kind Regards,

Stephanie  
Outreach & Education Team Member

## *Proclamation*

### **Eating Disorder Awareness Week (EDAW) February 1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> 2019**

WHEREAS: Eating Disorder Awareness Week will be from February 1 – 7, 2019; and

WHEREAS: Eating disorders have the highest mortality rate among all psychiatric illnesses and can develop in anyone, regardless of age, ethno-racial background, socioeconomic status, gender or ability; and

WHEREAS; Stigma, secrecy and stereotypes still surround eating disorders, causing many people who are suffering to refrain from seeking help; and

WHEREAS; Open supportive dialogue can help break the shame and silence that affect nearly 1 million Canadians living with diagnosable eating disorders and the millions of others who are struggling with food and weight preoccupation; and

WHEREAS; Eating Disorder Awareness Week seeks to raise awareness of eating disorders, shed light on dangerous and pervasive myths, and promote prevention. It is also a time of year for Canadians to learn about available resources and appropriate services for themselves and/or loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Eating Disorder Awareness Week aims to teach Canadians that eating disorders are not a choice, and that eating disorders are a serious and dangerous mental illness.