

## Report to Corporate Services Committee

**To:** Chair and Members  
Corporate Services Committee  
**From:** Michael Schulthess, City Clerk  
**Subject:** Council Policy Review – Flags at City Hall and Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities  
**Meeting on:** August 14, 2023

## Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the following actions be taken with respect to the Flags at City Hall and Illumination of City of London Building and Amenities Policies:

- a) the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to bring forward to a future meeting of the Corporate Services Committee the necessary by-law to enact the proposed changes to the Flags at City Hall Policy, attached as Appendix A;
- b) the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to bring forward to a future meeting of the Corporate Services Committee the necessary by-law to enact the proposed changes to the Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities Policy, attached as Appendix B; and
- c) the report dated August 14, 2023, with respect to this matter, BE RECEIVED;

it being noted that the policy changes noted above are outlined in this report.

## Linkage to Corporate Strategic Plan

One of the goals in the City of London Strategic Plan is for the City of London to become a leader in an equitable and inclusive community and ensure all Londoners have opportunities to participate in civic engagement. The proposed refinements to the Flags at City Hall and Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities Policies will help to address resident concerns, increase access to community recognition processes and enable civic administration to administer Policy provisions in a fair and consistent manner.

## Analysis

### 1.0 Background Information

#### 1.1 Previous Reports Related to this Matter

- Corporate Services Committee – July 17, 2023 –Staff Report – Council Policy Manual Review 2023
- Corporate Services Committee – September 20, 2021 –Staff Report - Proposed Amendments to Council Policy
- Corporate Services Committee – November 12, 2013 –Staff Report - Council Policy– Illumination Of City Of London Buildings And Amenities With Multi-Colour Capable Led Lighting Installations

#### 1.2 Background

The illumination of City buildings and displaying flags at City Hall is an important part of celebrating special events that commemorate the diversity of residents and foster a spirit of community in municipalities—a purpose identified in an environmental scan of comparator municipalities.

The purpose of the “Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities Policy” is to set out the requirements for lighting City of London buildings and amenities for community events and awareness. Similar to the City of London, most municipalities

include criteria that restricts the approval of events of commercial, religious or political organizations.

The purpose of the “Flags at City Hall Policy” is to set out the requirements for the flying of flags at City Hall, including the community flag pole.

Administration has undertaken a review of the Flags at City Hall Policy and Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities Policy as part of a periodic review of Council Policies pursuant to the Council Policy for Establishing and Maintaining Council Policies. This review also considers ongoing equity, inclusion and diversity updates to incorporate best practices. As a result of this review, several amendments and additional considerations are being presented to Municipal Council.

## **2.0 Discussion and Considerations**

### **2.1 Equity Tool Review**

In consultation with the City’s Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression division, the flag and illumination policies were reviewed using the City’s approved Equity Tool. During this process, an environmental scan was conducted to understand municipal best practices.

### **2.2 Appeal of Decisions**

From time to time, the City Clerk’s Office will receive requests that conflict with the approval criteria outlined in the flag and illumination policies. Currently, any request to appeal the approval criteria in the flag or illumination policy is processed through the appropriate Standing Committee of Council. Based on consultation with surrounding municipalities, as well as feedback from community groups, Civic Administration identified that the current appeal process presents potential timing issues for consideration of appeal requests; the current process may not provide sufficient time for organizations to be granted an exception in time for the event. As such, Administration is recommending a simplified approach that would permit appeals to be processed through the Mayor and City Manager’s Office, as outlined in the policy amendments appended to this Report. This approach is consistent with the environmental scan conducted by the City Clerk’s Office.

### **2.3 Recommended Changes to Flag Policy**

#### **National Flags in Alignment with Federal Government Provisions — s.4.1**

Civic Administration is recommending an amendment to the flag policy to permit display of flags on National Days of Significance. Such display would be request-based and only for those nations in good standing and formally recognized by the Federal Government (attached as Appendix “C” to this report). This recommendation is based on application of the Equity Tool, an environmental scan for municipal best practices, as well as feedback from community groups.

#### **Our London Family, June 6 — s.4.2**

Civic Administration is recommending that the flag policy be amended to provide for the “Our London Family” flag to be flown on the Community Flag Pole on June 6 of each year.

#### **Conflict Resolution / Flag Provision — s.4.6**

Based on community feedback, Civic Administration is also recommending an update to the Flags at City Hall Policy to better accommodate appeals and clarify that it is the responsibility of the requesting party to supply a flag to be flown in advance of the requested date.

### **2.4 Recommended Changes to Illumination Policy**

#### **Our London Family, June 6 — s.4.1(j)**

Civic Administration is recommending that Council Policy “Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities” be amended to provide for City of London buildings and amenities to be lit purple and green to recognize Our London Family annually.

### **Conflict Resolution Provision — s.4.1(l)**

Based on community feedback related to timing problems as noted above, Civic Administration is also recommending an update to the illumination policy to better accommodate a more timely consideration of appeals.

## **3.0 Additional Considerations**

### **3.1 Times for Illumination**

The current Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities policy contains specific exemptions for dates of significance. The dates approved are as follows:

- i) July 1: red and white for Canada Day;
- ii) November 10 and 11: red for Remembrance Day;
- iii) Rest of November: purple for Shine the Light on Woman Abuse;
- iv) December: red and green for the holidays;
- v) September 30: orange for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day).

### **3.2 December Lighting**

The current policy provides for “red and green for the holidays”. A review of this policy pursuant to the Equity Tool as well as feedback from the community has identified this specific provision as one for potential consideration by Municipal Council.

Since the adoption of this policy, illumination requests during the month of December have not been permitted, as this month is reserved. One option available to Municipal Council to increase availability of dates of significance to more community organizations would be to reduce the time for illumination to a period less than one month.

Municipal Council could direct to remove this illumination period from the policy, could reduce the period of display as noted above, or leave the policy unamended.

## **Conclusion**

Civic Administration recommends that the Council Policy “Flags at City Hall” Policy be amended to provide for the attached proposed amendments (Appendix “A”) to permit requests for the Community Flag Pole to fly the flag of a nation on its national day and to provide for the “Our London Family” flag to be flown on June 6 of each year, and that the Council Policy “Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities” (Appendix “B”) be amended to provide for City of London buildings and amenities to be lit purple and green on June 6 of each year in recognition of Our London Family.

There were additional considerations raised during the review and consultation process that the Municipal Council may review. These are outlined in the report and include specific exemptions, for example, in section 4.4 j) of the “Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities” Policy, as amended, for significant illumination occasions and durations. Should Council direct the consideration of additional changes to either policy, this would be brought forward to a future meeting of the Corporate Services Committee for consideration.

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**Recommended by:** Michael Schulthess, City Clerk

## Appendix “A”



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### Flags at City Hall

**Policy Name:** Flags at City Hall

**Legislative History:** Adopted September 19, 2017 (By-law No. CPOL.-114-366); Amended July 24, 2018 (By-law No. CPOL.-114(b)-417); Amended June 11, 2019 (By-law No. CPOL.-114(c)-158); Amended August 10, 2021 (By-law No. CPOL.-114(d)-247); Amended October 5, 2021 (By-law No. CPOL.-114(e)-319)

**Last Review Date:**

**Service Area Lead:** City Clerk

#### 1. Policy Statement

1.1 This policy sets out the requirements for the flying of flags at City Hall.

#### 2. Definitions

2.1 Not applicable.

#### 3. Applicability

3.1 This policy shall apply to any person or organization seeking to fly a flag at City Hall.

#### 4. The Policy

##### 4.1 Flags on the Community Flag Pole

- a) The following flags shall be permitted to be flown at City Hall on the Community Flag Pole installed at the northwest corner of City Hall, facing Wellington Street:
  - i. the Canadian flag at such times as there is no other approved flag displayed
  - ii. an appropriate flag on the occasion of a visiting dignitary, on the day of the dignitary’s visit to London City Hall, as a gesture of respect and friendship.
  - iii. the flag of a nation on its national day, provided that:
    1. the nation has active diplomatic relations with Canada;
    2. the flag is official and is recognized by the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development; and
    3. the requesting organization follows all policies prescribed in this policy at least 4 weeks prior to the national day, on an annual basis,
    4. requests to use the community flagpole for flying the flag of a nation will be confirmed on a first come first served basis,
  - iv. to celebrate achievement, the flag of a charitable or non-profit organization to help increase public awareness of their programs and activities; an organization that has achieved national or international distinction or made a significant contribution to the community, or an

organization that has helped to enhance the City of London in a positive manner;

- v. the “Every Child Matters Flag” to be flown on September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year to recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day); and
  - vi. the “Our London Family” flag will be flown at City Hall on June 6 each year.
- b) The following guidelines shall be observed for the flying of flags permitted under 4.1 a) iv):
- i. the organization’s flag will fly in connection with a particular event by an organization;
  - ii. no flags of commercial, religious or political organizations shall be permitted, except as otherwise provided under s.4.1;
  - iii. no flags of a group or organization whose undertakings or philosophy are contrary to City of London policies or by-laws, or espouse hatred, violence or racism shall be permitted; organizations shall be required to submit requests for their organization’s flag to fly on an annual basis;
  - iv. a flag shall be flown for a period of up to one week, or for the duration of the associated event, whichever is less;
  - v. flags shall only be changed and lowered on those business days that City Hall is open; and
  - vi. requests to use the community flagpole will be confirmed on a first come first served basis.

#### 4.2 Canadian Flag at Half-Mast

The following guidelines shall be observed for the half-masting of the Canadian flag at City Hall:

- i) the flying of the Canadian flag at half-mast denotes a period of official mourning or commemoration;
- ii) the City of London will fly the Canadian flag on the at half-mast in the event of a death or to commemorate a solemn occasion. The Canadian flag will be lowered at the direction of the Mayor. In consultation with the Mayor, the City Clerk will provide instruction to lower the Canadian flag on the Flag Pole;
- iii) the position of the Canadian flag when flying at half-mast will depend on its size, the length of the mast and its location; but as a general rule, the centre of the Canadian flag shall be exactly half-way down the mast;
- iv) the official period of mourning is defined as the day of passing until the day of the funeral; and,
- v) the Canadian flag will be flown at half-mast to commemorate the following occasions:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Occasion</b>
April 28	National Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace
June 6	Our London Family
August 9	Peacekeepers’ Day
Last Sunday in September	National Peace and Police Officers’ Memorial Day

November 11	Remembrance Day* *Half-masting shall occur at 11:00 a.m. or according to the prescribed order of service at the Cenotaph.
December 6	National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

#### 4.3 Flags over the Back Entrance of City Hall

- a) The following flags shall be permitted to be flown at City Hall on the flag poles over the back entrance of City Hall facing Reginald Cooper Square:
  - i) the flags of all the provinces and territories and the Canadian Flag are hung, in order of confederation, over the back entrance facing Reginald Cooper Square. The Canadian Flag is hung as per the standards outlined in the National Flag of Canada Etiquette issued from the Federal Government.
  - ii) the flags of other sovereign nations in alphabetical order (if applicable);
  - iii) the flags of the provinces of Canada (in the order in which they joined Confederation); and,
  - iv) the flags of the territories of Canada (in the order in which they joined Confederation).
- b) The precedence for flag order (from left to right) as per the Position of Honour is as follows:
  - i) the National Flag of Canada;
  - ii) the flags of other sovereign nations in alphabetical order (if applicable);
  - iii) the flags of the provinces of Canada (in the order in which they joined Confederation); and,
  - iv) the flags of the territories of Canada (in the order in which they joined Confederation).
- c) The flags are displayed in the spring, and removed before winter.

#### 4.4 Flags over the Front Entrance of City Hall

- a) The following flags shall be permitted to be flown at City Hall on the flag poles over the front entrance of City Hall:
  - i. flags deemed by the City Clerk to be in accordance with the flag etiquette of Canada as established by Heritage Canada (restricted to the flag of the City of London, Canadian provinces, the Canadian flag, the personal flags and standards of the Royal Family and the Governor General and the Lieutenant Governors throughout Canada, the Royal Union flag, and the flags of the United Nations, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the Commonwealth).

#### 4.5 Flags in City Hall

- a) As an annual observance to recognize the anniversary of the London Township Treaty, the five signatory First Nations (Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, Chippewas of Kettle and Stoney Point First Nation, Walpole Island First Nation, Aamjiwnaang First Nation and Caldwell First Nation) shall be invited to have their flags displayed on September 7th of each year, in City Hall. In the event that September 7th falls on a day on which City Hall is closed, the flags shall be displayed on the first day prior to September 7th that City Hall is open for business.

#### 4.6 General

- a) The City Clerk will administer the policy for the flying of flags at City Hall.
- b) The following guidelines shall apply to resolving conflicts arising from this policy:
  - i. conflicts between the dates requested for flags to be flown by two or more organizations or nations on the Community Flag Pole shall be settled in favour of the organization which first made its request; and,

- ii. in the event that a request appears to be in conflict with any of the criteria outlined in this policy the Mayor, in consultation with the City Manager's Office, or designate, may use discretion to approve or deny a community flag request. The Mayor's decision will be final.
- c) Any person or organization seeking to fly a flag shall be responsible for providing the relevant official flag requested to be flown, at least two business days in advance of the display date requested.

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## Appendix “B”



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### Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities

**Policy Name:** Illumination of City of London Buildings and Amenities

**Legislative History:** Adopted September 19, 2017 (By-law No. CPOL.-127-379); Amended July 24, 2018 (By-law No. CPOL.-127(a)-422); Amended October 5, 2021 (By-law No. CPOL.-127(b)-320)

**Last Review Date:**

**Service Area Lead:** City Clerk

#### 1. Policy Statement

- 1.1 This policy sets out the requirements for lighting City of London buildings and amenities for community events and awareness.

#### 2. Definitions

- 2.1 Not applicable.

#### 3. Applicability

- 3.1 This policy shall apply to any person or organization seeking the illumination of those City of London buildings and amenities which have multi-colour capable LED lighting.

#### 4. The Policy

- 4.1. The use of multi-colour capable LED lighting installations on some City of London buildings and amenities provides a unique opportunity to display the official colour associated with a charitable or non-profit organization or a City of London event, in order to create awareness of and/or celebrate an organization or a City of London event.

The following guidelines shall be observed:

Eligibility:

- a) Organizations making a lighting request must be charitable or non-profit organizations.
- b) Charitable or non-profit organizations making a lighting request must have undertakings or philosophies that are in keeping with City of London policies or by-laws, and must not espouse hatred, violence, or racism.
- c) City of London buildings and amenities shall not be illuminated for political, religious, or for-profit organizations or purposes.

Frequency and Timing

- e) Lighting may be requested for up to one week, or for the duration of the associated event, whichever is less; noting that conflicts between two or more eligible charitable or non-profit organizations would be settled in favour of the organization which first made its request, with City of London events taking precedence in all instances.



- f) The lighting period will begin and end only on those business days that City Hall is open and staff resources are available to program the lighting. All City of London buildings and amenities with multi-colour capable LED lighting installations shall be illuminated in a consistent manner to the extent that programming allows.
- g) Charitable or non-profit organizations will be required to submit lighting requests on an annual basis.

#### Exemptions

- h) The City of London shall not be restricted as to the number of times, or the period for which, lighting is approved.
- i) The City of London may, at its discretion, illuminate each of its buildings or amenities with multi-colour capable LED lighting installations in a manner which is unique from one venue to the next.
- j) Notwithstanding the above, City of London buildings and amenities with multi-colour capable LED lighting installations shall be illuminated on the following occasions:
  - i. June 6: purple and green for Our London Family
  - ii. July 1: red and white for Canada Day
  - iii. September 30: orange for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day).
  - iv. November 10 and 11: red for Remembrance Day
  - v. Rest of November: purple for Shine the Light on Woman Abuse
  - vi. December: red and green for the holidays

#### Administration of the Policy

- k) The City Clerk will administer this policy.
- l) In the event that a request appears to be in conflict with any of the criteria outlined in this policy the Mayor, in consultation with the City Manager's Office, or designate, may use discretion to approve or deny an illumination request. The Mayor's decision will be final.

# Appendix "C"

## NATIONAL DAYS - July 2023

### January

1	Republic of Cuba	Liberation Day
1	Republic of Haiti	Independence Day (1804)
1	Republic of the Sudan	National Day
4	Republic of the Union of Myanmar	Independence Day (1948)
26	Commonwealth of Australia	Australia Day
31	Republic of Nauru	National Day

### February

4	Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	National Day
6	New Zealand	National Day (Waitangi Day)
7	Grenada	Independence Day (1974)
11	Islamic Republic of Iran	National Day
15	Republic of Serbia	National Day
16	Republic of Lithuania	Independence Day
17	Republic of Kosovo	Independence Day (2008)
18	Islamic Republic of the Gambia	Independence Day
22	Saint Lucia	Independence Day (1979)
23	Brunei Darussalam	National Day
23	Japan	National Day
23	Republic of Guyana	Republic Day
24	Republic of Estonia	Independence Day (1918)
25	State of Kuwait	National Day
27	Dominican Republic	Independence Day (1844)

### March

3	Republic of Bulgaria	National Day
6	Republic of Ghana	National Day
12	Republic of Mauritius	National Day
17	Ireland	St. Patrick's Day (461)
20	Republic of Tunisia	Proclamation of Independence (1956)
23	Islamic Republic of Pakistan	Pakistan Day
25	Hellenic Republic	Independence Day (1821)
26	People's Republic of Bangladesh	National Day

### April

4	Republic of Senegal	Independence Day
16	Kingdom of Denmark	Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Margrethe II
17	Syrian Arab Republic	National Day
18	Republic of Zimbabwe	Independence Day
26	United Republic of Tanzania	Union Day

27	Kingdom of the Netherlands	Birthday of His Majesty King Willem-Alexander
27	Republic of Sierra Leone	Republic Day
27	Republic of South Africa	Freedom Day
27	Togo	National Day (1960)

## May

1	Republic of the Marshall Islands	National Day
3	Republic of Poland	National Day
7	State of Israel	National Day
9	European Union	Schuman Day
15	Republic of Paraguay	Independence Day (1811)
17	Kingdom of Norway	Constitution Day (1814)
20	Republic of Cameroon	National Day
22	Republic of Yemen	National Day
24	State of Eritrea	Independence Day (1993)
25	Argentine Republic	May Revolution (1810)
25	Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	National Day
26	Georgia	Independence Day
28	Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia	Downfall of the Dergue
28	Republic of Azerbaijan	Republic Day - May 28, 1918

## June

1	Samoa	Independence Day (1962)
2	Italian Republic	Anniversary of the Foundation of the Republic (1946)
4	Kingdom of Tonga	Independence Day (1970)
6	Kingdom of Sweden	National Day
10	Portuguese Republic	National Day
12	Republic of Philippines	National Day
12	Russian Federation	National Day
17	Republic of Iceland	Proclamation of the Republic (1944)
17	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday
18	Eastern Caribbean States	OECS Day
18	Republic of Seychelles	Constitution day
23	Grand Duchy of Luxembourg	Official Celebration of the Birthday of His Royal Highness Grand Duke Henri (1955)
25	Republic of Croatia	National Day
25	Republic of Mozambique	Independence Day
25	Republic of Slovenia	National Day
26	Republic of Madagascar	Independence Day
27	Republic of Djibouti	National Day
29	Holy See	Election of the Pope
30	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Independence Day

## July

1	Canada	Canada Day
1	Republic of Burundi	National Day (1962)
3	Republic of Belarus	Independence Day
4	Republic of Rwanda	Liberation Day
4	United States of America	Independence Day (1776)
5	Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela	Independence Day (1811)
5	Republic of Cabo Verde	Independence Day
6	Republic of Malawi	Independence Day
6	Union of the Comoros	National Day
7	Nepal	Birthday of His Majesty The King
7	Solomon Islands	National Day
9	Republic of South Sudan	National Day
10	Commonwealth of the Bahamas	Independence Day (1973)
11	Mongolia	National Day
12	Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe	National Day
12	Kiribati	National Day
13	Montenegro	National Day
14	France	National Day
14	Iraq	Republic Day
20	Republic of Colombia	National Day
21	Kingdom of Belgium	Accession of King Leopold I (1831)
23	Arab Republic of Egypt	National Day
26	Republic of Liberia	Independence Day
26	Republic of Maldives	National Day
28	Republic of Peru	Independence Day (1821)
30	Kingdom of Morocco	Ascension of the Throne
30	Republic of Vanuatu	Independence Day (1950)

## August

1	Republic of Benin	Independence Day
1	Swiss Confederation	National Day
3	Republic of the Niger	Proclamation of Independence (1960)
6	Jamaica	Independence Day
6	Plurinational State of Bolivia	Independence Day
7	Republic of Côte d'Ivoire	Independence Day
9	Republic of Singapore	National Day
10	Republic of Ecuador	Independence Day (1809)
11	Republic of Chad	National Day
15	Republic of India	Independence Day
15	Republic of the Congo	National Day
17	Gabonese Republic	National Day
17	Republic of Indonesia	Independence Day (1945)
19	Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	National Day
24	Ukraine	Independence Day (1991)

25	Eastern Republic of Uruguay	National Day
27	Republic of Moldova	National Day
31	Kyrgyz Republic	Independence Day
31	Malaysia	National Day
31	Republic of Trinidad and Tobago	National Day
<b>September</b>		
1	Libya	National Day
1	Republic of Uzbekistan	Independence Day (1991)
1	Slovak Republic	Constitution Day (1992)
2	Socialist Republic of Vietnam	Independence Day
3	Republic of San Marino	National day
6	Kingdom of Eswatini	Independence Day
7	Federative Republic of Brazil	Independence Day (1822)
8	Principality of Andorra	Independence Day
8	Republic of North Macedonia	Independence Day
9	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	National Day
15	Republic of Costa Rica	Independence Day
15	Republic of El Salvador	Independence Day (1821)
15	Republic of Guatemala	Independence Day
15	Republic of Honduras	National Day
15	Republic of Nicaragua	Independence Day
16	Papua New Guinea	Independence Day
16	United Mexican States	National Day
18	Republic of Chile	Independence Day
19	Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis	Independence Day (1983)
21	Belize	Independence Day
21	Republic of Armenia	Independence Day
21	Republic of Malta	Independence Day (1964)
22	Republic of Mali	Proclamation of the Republic (1960)
23	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	National Day
24	Republic of Guinea-Bissau	National Day
30	Republic of Botswana	Independence Day
<b>October</b>		
1	Federal Republic of Nigeria	National Day
1	People's Republic of China	National Day
1	Republic of Cyprus	Independence Day
1	Republic of Palau	Independence Day (1994)
1	Tuvalu	National Day
2	Republic of Guinea	National Day (1958)
3	Federal Republic of Germany	Day of German Unity
3	Republic of Korea	National Foundation Day
4	Kingdom of Lesotho	National Day
9	Republic of Uganda	Independence Day
10	Republic of the Fiji Islands	National Day

12	Republic of Equatorial Guinea	National Day
12	Spain	National Day
23	Hungary	Commemoration of the 1956 Revolution and Day of Proclamation of the Republic of Hungary
24	Republic of Zambia	Independence Day
26	Republic of Austria	National Day
27	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Independence Day (1979)
27	Turkmenistan	Independence Day
28	Czech Republic	Proclamation of Czech State
29	Republic of Türkiye	Proclamation of the Republic (1923)

## November

1	Antigua and Barbuda	Independence Day (1981)
1	People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	National Day
3	Commonwealth of Dominica	Independence Day (1978)
3	Federated States of Micronesia	Independence Day (1986)
3	Republic of Panama	Independence Day
9	Kingdom of Cambodia	National Day
11	Republic of Angola	Independence Day
18	Republic of Latvia	Independence Day
18	Sultanate of Oman	National Day
19	Principality of Monaco	National Day
22	Lebanese Republic	Independence Day (1943)
25	Republic of Suriname	Independence Day (1975)
28	Islamic Republic of Mauritania	Independence Day (1960)
28	Republic of Albania	National Day
28	Timor-Leste, Democratic Republic of	Independence Day
30	Barbados	Independence Day (1966)

## December

1	Central African Republic	Proclamation of the Republic
1	Romania	National Day
2	Lao People's Democratic Republic	National Day
2	United Arab Emirates	National Day (1971)
5	Kingdom of Thailand	National Day
6	Republic of Finland	Independence Day (1917)
11	Burkina Faso	National Day
12	Republic of Kenya	Independence Day (Jamhuri Day)
16	Kingdom of Bahrain	National Day
16	Republic of Kazakhstan	Independence Day
18	State of Qatar	Independence Day