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Endorsing your motion to City Council re: city proclamations

Anova and London Abused Women's Centre (LAWC) are pleased to support your motion to have the City of London reinstate proclamations to the community, including proclaiming February 2020 as Black History Month.

The City of London has accomplished a number of impressive projects in this past year, including being the first city in Canada to have a pillar in their strategic plan addressing violence against women and girls.

In the interest of ensuring that the City of London can continue to create progressive, thoughtful and inclusive change this motion can create a unique opportunity. What is said and done by the City of London and our city council matters. Equally what is not said and not done carries weight. Having a City Council that uses its voice to create a more inclusive and welcoming community will benefit our entire city.

With respect,

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