

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 9, 2020
FROM:	CATHY SAUNDERS CITY CLERK
SUBJECT:	APPLICATION – ISSUANCE OF PROCLAMATION AMPUTEE COALITION OF TORONTO

RECOMMENDATION

That, the Civic Administration BE ADVISED as to how Municipal Council wishes to proceed with the attached (Appendix “A”) Proclamation request.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

Corporate Services Committee – December 3, 2019
Corporate Services Committee – January 6, 2020

BACKGROUND

The Issuance of Proclamations Policy is attached as Schedule “A” for information purposes.

CONCLUSION

The Civic Administration is seeking direction from the Municipal Council as to how they wish to proceed with the attached (Appendix “A”) proclamation request received on February 24, 2020 from the Amputee Coalition of Toronto requesting the month of April be proclaimed “Limb Loss Awareness Month”.

The following sets out the review process for Applications for proclamations:

- The cause or event must contribute to the economic, social and cultural fabric of the City of London
- Proclamations will not be issued for the following:
 - I. Matters of political controversy, ideological or religious beliefs or individual conviction
 - II. Events or organizations with no direct connection to the city
 - III. Campaigns or events contrary to City of London policies or by-laws
 - IV. National, Independence or Republic Days
 - V. Campaigns or events intended for profit-making purposes
 - VI. Recognition of individuals
 - VII. Recognition of events or organizations that espouse discrimination, hatred, violence or racism
 - VIII. Matters attempting to influence government policy
 - IX. Matters designed to incite hatred or disorder

The Civic Administration is seeking direction from Municipal Council with respect to this matter.

SUBMITTED BY:
CATHY SAUNDERS CITY CLERK

Proclamation Request Form

Requests for the issuance of proclamations are governed by Council Policy (excerpted below). Requests must be received at least six (6) weeks in advance of the requested issuance date and may be emailed to the City Clerk at

ClerksApprovalRequests@london.ca or mailed to City Hall, P.O. Box 5035 LONDON, ON, N6A 4L9.

Request details

Name of Organization Amputee Coalition of Toronto
Date Proclamation Required April 2020
Proclamation Name April Limb Loss Awareness Month
Proclamation Type (day), (week), (month) Month
Category (public awareness campaigns), (charitable fundraising campaigns), (arts and cultural celebrations) Public Awareness Campaign
Requester Name Aristotle Domingo
Requester Telephone Number
Requester Email Address
Requester Address 1014-2323 Lake Shore Blvd. W Toronto, ON M8V 1B8
Required Supporting Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detail information on the Organization• Detail information on the Event• Confirmation of authorization from the Organization to submit the request
The undersigned confirms that I am the Official Representative of the Organization requesting the Proclamation and that by signing this Application, I acknowledge and agree that my organization complies with all City of London's Policies and By-laws.  _____ Signature
_____ 24 February, 2020 Date
NOTICE OF COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION Personal information collected on this form is collected under the authority of the <i>Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25</i> and may also be used for purposes related to the Issuance of Proclamations Policy and Proclamation Request Form. Questions about this collection should be addressed to the City Clerk, 3rd floor, City Hall, 300 Dufferin Ave., London, ON N6A 4L9. Tel: 519-661-2489, ext. 4937, email: csaunder@london.ca



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February 24, 2020

Re: Request for Proclamation of April to be Limb Loss Awareness Month

Attn: Mr. Ed Holder, Mayor of London
Office of the Mayor
300 Dufferin Avenue
London, ON N6B 1Z2

Dear Sir,

This letter is to request to proclaim April Limb Loss Awareness Month in London.

There is an estimated 227,000 Canadians that are affected by an amputation or have a limb difference. A study of adult patients between 2007 and 2009 reported that approximately 5342 patients underwent lower limb extremity amputations. Amputations are frequently indicated after admission due to other complications including diabetes (81%), cardiovascular disease (6%), cancer (3%) and trauma. 26% of patients are often discharged to inpatient rehabilitation centres like Parkwood Rehab at St. Joseph's Health Care London for rehabilitation, others are discharged home without extra support. This is where the Amputee Coalition of Toronto comes in.

The Amputee Coalition of Toronto is a local non-profit organization that provides much needed peer support for amputees and their families not only in Toronto, but across Ontario. We provide peer-to-peer visits with our Certified Peer Visitors, provide resources to inform and educate patients, and assist them in advocating for themselves as amputees. One of our mandate is to bring awareness to limb loss and the limb loss community while promoting an active lifestyle through adaptive sports, activities and meet-ups. One of the issues many amputees face is isolation that often lead to mental health issues. Through our meet-ups, we are able to bring

them out and help them realize that there is life after amputation. We feel that by declaring April as a Limb Loss Awareness Month, we can further reach out to amputees and their families that they are not alone in their journey; that our city's efforts to be inclusive includes our amputee community.

You can visit our web site for additional information about our organization: www.amputeecoalitiontoronto.ca.

I thank you for your time and consideration of my letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aristotle Domingo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Aristotle Domingo, Founder
Amputee Coalition of Toronto**



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CANADA

Issuance of Proclamations Policy

Policy Name: Issuance of Proclamations Policy

Legislative History: Adopted September 19, 2017 (By-law No. CPOL.-115-367);
Amended July 24, 2018 (By-law No. CPOL.-115(a)-418)

Last Review Date: January 6, 2020

Service Area Lead: City Clerk

1. Policy Statement

1.1 This policy sets out the requirements for the issuance of proclamations.

2. Definitions

2.1 Not applicable.

3. Applicability

3.1 This policy shall apply to any request for the issuance of proclamations on behalf of the City of London.

4. The Policy

4.1. Proclamations are ceremonial documents issued and signed by the Mayor on behalf of City of London Council that officially recognizes public awareness campaigns; charitable fundraising campaigns; and arts and cultural celebrations of organizations that reside/operate within the City of London. The requester must clearly identify the significance and connection of the proclamation to the mandate and goals as set out in the City of London's Strategic Plan. A proclamation does not constitute a personal or civic endorsement.

Application Process

- a) Proclamations requests are to be submitted on the City of London Application form to the City Clerk's Office at least six (6) weeks in advance of the requested issuance date.
- b) The Application must provide sufficient background information about the organization, cause or event being proclaimed and the proposed text for inclusion in the proclamation. The proposed text is subject to approval by the City of London to ensure compliance with City of London's policies and by-laws.
- c) Upon receipt of the Application, the City Clerk's Office will review the Application in accordance with this Policy and if the Application appears to be in compliance with the Policy, the Application will be placed on the next available Corporate Services Committee meeting for consideration.
- d) The Corporate Services Committee will review the Application and provide a recommendation to the Municipal Council for consideration with respect to the disposition of the Applications.

Administration of Policy:

- e) The cause or event must contribute to the economic, social and cultural fabric of the City of London.
- f) Repeat requests must be submitted on an annual basis.
- g) An organization may request one proclamation per calendar year.
- h) Organization do not have exclusive rights to the day, week, or month being proclaimed.
- i) Proclamations of a similar topic will be issued on a first come first served basis.
- j) The City of London will not incur any expenses relating to the advertising or promotion of a proclamation. Recipients are responsible for the promotion of the proclamation, organization of related activities and for all associated costs.
- k) Proclamations will not be issued for:
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 - Recognition of events or organizations that espouse discrimination, hatred, violence or racism.
 - Matters attempting to influence government policy.
 - Matters designed to incite hatred or disorder.
- l) The City of London reserves the right to refuse to issue a proclamation.