

## Report to Corporate Services Committee

**To:** Chair and Members  
Corporate Services Committee  
**From:** Cathy Saunders, City Clerk  
**Subject:** Application – Issuance of Proclamation – Childhood  
Cancer Awareness Month  
**Date:** May 31, 2021

## 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 April 29, 2021 from Childhood Cancer Canada requesting the month of September, 2021 be proclaimed Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

**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](mailto:ClerksApprovalRequests@london.ca) or mailed to City Hall, P.O. Box 5035 LONDON, ON, N6A 4L9.

### Request details

Name of Organization
Childhood Cancer Canada
Date Proclamation Required
Sept 01, 2021
Proclamation Name
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
Proclamation Type (day, week or month)
Month
Category (public awareness campaigns), (charitable fundraising campaigns), (arts and cultural celebrations)
charity, awareness, health
Requester Name
Kathy Motton
Requester Telephone Number
416-315-4535
Requester Email Address
kathy@childhoodcancer.ca
Requester Address
20 Queen St. W, Toronto, ON M5H 3R3
Provide details of your Organization's Connection to London
Childhood cancer does not discriminate and can be diagnosed in children throughout the country. We are requesting a proclamation to represent children with cancer both nationally, and more importantly children diagnose in (London), including those who have died from cancer and those who may still be diagnose in the future. This campaign tells these children and their families that they are not alone.
Required Supporting Documents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Detail information on the Organization</li><li>• Detail information on the Event</li><li>• Confirmation of authorization from the Organization to submit the request</li></ul>
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 
Date April 29, 2021
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: <a href="mailto:csaunder@london.ca">csaunder@london.ca</a>



## **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.

## SCHEDULE "A"

### 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:
  - Matters of political controversy, ideological or religious beliefs or individual conviction.
  - Events or organizations with no direct connection to the City of London.
  - Campaigns or events contrary to City of London policies or by-laws.
  - National, Independence or Republic Days.
  - Campaign or events intended for profit-making purposes.
  - Recognition of individuals.
  - 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.