# **Proclamation Request Form**

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Name of Organization APRAXIA KIDS	
Date Proclamation Required	
MAY 14, 2022	
Proclamation Name	
APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY 2022	
Proclamation Type (day, week or month)	
MAY 14	
Category (public awareness campaigns), (charitable fundraising campaigns), (arts and	
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Required Supporting Documents	
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<ul> <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.

<del>Sign</del>ature

March 25, 2022

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Thursday, March 24th, 2022

Dear Mayor Ed Holder,

I am writing to respectfully request that you proclaim May 14<sup>th</sup> as Apraxia Awareness Day in London, ON.

Childhood apraxia of speech (CAS) is a very misunderstood and very challenging speech disorder that affects nearly 1-in-1,000 children. Without intensive and appropriate speech therapy, children with CAS will not learn to speak.

Going into its seventh year internationally, Apraxia Awareness Day aims to unite these children and their friends and family with community members to be an unstoppable, united force advocating and raising awareness about CAS on May 14.

Children with CAS, their families and the Speech Language Pathologists working with them all need your help. By issuing this proclamation you will not only be showing that you support all of your constituents, but you will also help raise awareness for the most severe speech disorder.

I am a volunteer with Apraxia Kids, the leading non-profit dedicated to CAS and I would be happy to share more about CAS with you. Please feel free to contact me with any questions and to confirm that you will proclaim May 14<sup>th</sup> as Apraxia Awareness Day here in London, ON.

We hope you will issue a proclamation to help us further the cause of raising awareness so we can better advocate for these children on their journey of learning to use their own voice. For your convenience, a sample proclamation is attached.

With warmest regards,

Tiffany Paolin (Mother of an Apraxia Warrior in London!) for:

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# ABOUT APRAXIA KIDS

Apraxia Kids is the leading non-profit that strengthens the support systems in the lives of children with apraxia of speech. Since our inception in 2000, Apraxia Kids has provided support to tens of thousands of families and professionals.

## **OUR VISION**

A world where every child with apraxia of speech reaches their highest communication potential through accurate diagnosis and appropriate timely treatment. Every child deserves a voice

## **OUR MISSION**

Apraxia Kids is the leading non-profit that strengthens the support systems in the lives of children with apraxia of speech by educating professionals and families; facilitating community engagement and outreach; and investing in the future through advocacy and research.

### **OUR IMPACT**

Apraxia Kids is the leading organization in apraxia education and support for both families and speech-language professionals worldwide. We need to work across all regions to build awareness of our organization so that every family impacted by childhood apraxia of speech is supported.

# MAY IS APRAXIA AWARENESS MONTH!

If you've been looking for an opportunity to raise awareness of childhood apraxia of speech in your community, here is your chance! File a proclamation for your state, county, or city!

A proclamation is a public or official announcement issued by your local government. 2022 marks the 10 year anniversary of the first proclamation that declared May 14th Apraxia Awareness Day. You can help us celebrate 10 years of Apraxia Awareness Day by filing a proclamation today!

#### 2022 SAMPLE PROCLAMATION FOR APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, childhood apraxia of speech is a challenging speech disorder that affects nearly 1-in-1,000 children.

WHEREAS, children with childhood apraxia of speech will not learn to speak without frequent, intensive and appropriate speech therapy.

WHEREAS, a lack of appropriate speech therapy intervention may impact not only communication but also individual outcomes in education, independence, mental wellness, and employment.

WHEREAS, public awareness about childhood apraxia of speech in [MUNICIPALITY] is essential for families of children with childhood apraxia of speech and the professionals who support them to best advocate for needed services for children learning to use their own voice.

WHEREAS, our highest respect goes to children with childhood apraxia of speech and to their families for their effort, determination and resilience in the face of obstacles.

THEREFORE, I, [NAME], [TITLE], do hereby proclaim May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as Apraxia Awareness Day in [MUNICIPALITY].

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