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Hello,

Please note the following response to Proclamation Request Form has been submitted at Monday May 10th 2021 11:48 AM with reference number 2021-05-10-060.

- **Name of Organization**
Essex Accessibility Advisory Committee

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- **Name or Title of Proclamation**

National AccessAbility Week

- **Dates / Time Period Covered by Proclamation**

May 30 to June 5, 2021

- **Purpose of Proclamation (select all that apply)**

Public Awareness Campaign

- **Description of Organization / Proclamation**

Disability Inclusion 2021: Leaving no one behind

National AccessAbility Week (NAAW) is an opportunity:

to celebrate the valuable contributions of Canadians with disabilities to recognize the efforts of individuals, communities and workplaces that are actively working to remove barriers to accessibility and inclusion

We all benefit from a society and an economy without barriers to inclusion. When persons with disabilities can participate in all aspects of society, including accessing employment, resources and services, it enriches Canada's economy.

Message from The Honourable Carla Qualtrough, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion

Hello everyone and happy National AccessAbility Week!

As Canada's minister responsible for Disability Inclusion, it is my honour to launch this fourth annual week where we celebrate the contributions that persons with disabilities make to Canada. The work done by individuals, communities and workplaces to remove barriers to accessibility is critically important, and is needed now more than ever during COVID-19.

We are building on the momentum of the Accessible Canada Act by working with the disability community and Canadians across the country to find innovative ways to break down existing barriers to accessibility in order to become inclusive by design.

This is at the heart of the Government of Canada's commitment to creating a truly inclusive and accessible Canada where everyone has equal rights and opportunities to contribute to their communities and workplaces.

The COVID-19 pandemic has deeply affected the lives and health of all Canadians, and disproportionately affected Canadians with

disabilities in particular. As we continue to address the pandemic, the Government's priority remains enabling persons with disabilities to maintain their health, safety and dignity during these difficult times and beyond.

The creation of the COVID-19 Disability Advisory Group is an example of the Government's approach to including the lived experiences and advice of persons with disabilities in our pandemic response.

I encourage Canadians to get involved during National AccessAbility Week. Share your personal stories, photos and videos of disability inclusion using the hashtag #AccessibleCanada. I also invite you to also highlight an organization that is making accessibility a reality in your community.

We all benefit when everyone can participate equally in our economy, and society.

Together, let's take action to build an inclusive and accessible Canada!

- **Has the same/similar proclamation been requested of the Town of Essex in past years?**

Yes

- **Date of previous request**

2019

- **As part of this proclamation, will any special initiatives or events be planned in the Town of Essex?**

No

- **Does your Proclamation Request include a request for a flag raising?**

No

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