

**PROCLAMATION** 

## AUTISM AWARENESS DAY April 2, 2019

**WHEREAS** World Autism Awareness Day will be recognized on April 2, 2019 in Canada; and

**WHEREAS** Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) affects more than 100,000 Ontarians. Autism Spectrum Disorder is now recognized as the most common neurological disorder affecting 1 in every 94 children, as well as their friends, family and community; and

**WHEREAS** ASD is a spectrum disorder, which means it not only manifests itself differently in every individual in whom it appears, but its characteristics will change over the life of each individual as well. A child with ASD will become an adult with ASD; and

**WHEREAS** Autism Ontario is dedicated to increasing public awareness about autism and the day-to-day issues faced by individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals with whom they interact. The association and its chapters share common goals of providing information and education, supporting research, and advocating for programs and services for the autism community.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, hereby proclaims April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 as World Autism Awareness Day.

Dated at the Town of Aurora This 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2019.