

## **PROCLAMATION**

## NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND ACTION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN December 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

**WHEREAS** on December 6<sup>th</sup> in 1989 a massacre occurred at a Canadian University that shook our nation. A young man walked in l'Ecole Polytechnique in Montreal and killed 14 women and injured another 10; and

**WHEREAS** on average, every six days a woman in Canada is killed by her partner, and this year thousands of women will face violence in the form of harassment, assault, intimate partner violence and many other forms of abuse; and

**WHEREAS** ending violence against women can be achieved through continued antiviolence education programs and with constant reminders of our responsibility to treat all members of society with dignity and respect; and

**WHEREAS** we can work towards eliminating violence against women through our individual actions in naming the violence when we witness it and supporting those who are affected whether it be at home, school, the workplace or in public spaces.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, hereby proclaims the day of **December 6<sup>th</sup>**, 2019 as **National Day of Remembrance** and Action on Violence Against Women.

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