

## **PROCLAMATION**

## FRANCO-ONTARIAN DAY September 25, 2020

**WHEREAS** 2020 marks over 400 years of the arrival of the first French Settler in Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** *L'Association des francophones de la région de York* (L'AFRY) celebrates the anniversary of the arrival of Étienne Brûle and the presence of francophones in York Region; and

**WHEREAS** the Franco-Ontarian flag has been officially recognized by Queen's Park on June 21st, 2001; and

**WHEREAS** the Franco-Ontarian Day Act adopted unanimously in April 2010 by the Legislative Assembly proclaimed September 25 of each year as Franco-Ontarian Day; and

**WHEREAS** the Francophone community has been part of York Region for a very long time and Franco-Ontarians are proud to have contributed to the cultural, historical, social, economic and political life of the province and within York Region.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, hereby proclaims the day of September 25, 2020 as Franco-Ontarian Day to recognize and celebrate the contributions of Franco-Ontarians.

Dated at the Town of Aurora This 1st day of September, 2020.