



PROCLAMATION

“BeADonor” Month

WHEREAS “BeADonor” month supports organ and tissue registration; and

WHEREAS over 1,600 people in Ontario are on the waitlist and every three days someone dies waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant; and

WHEREAS in 2018, 333 deceased and 274 living donors saved the lives of 1,236 people through transplant, and 2,413 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands more through the gift of eyes, bone, skin or heart valves ; and

WHEREAS research shows the majority of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet just 33% of eligible Ontarians have registered their consent to donate; and

WHEREAS families almost always consent to donation when there is evidence a loved one registered their decision to donate, but in the absence of registered donation decision, families consent only half of the time; and

WHEREAS everyone is a potential organ and tissue donor, regardless of age; one organ donor can save up to 8 lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 more through the gift of tissue.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, hereby proclaims April, 2019 as “BeADonor” month and encourage all citizens to learn more about the organ and tissue donation and transplantation.

*Dated at the Town of Aurora
This 1st day of April, 2019.*