



# PROCLAMATION

## WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

**WHEREAS** March 21<sup>st</sup> is World Down Syndrome Day, a day to raise awareness about Down Syndrome and celebrate the fact that every person is unique; and

**WHEREAS** World Down Syndrome day was officially observed by the United Nations in 2012 and the Province of Ontario in 2016; and

**WHEREAS** people with Down Syndrome make significant contributions to the fabric of our community. They participate in the workplace, run their own businesses, create art, music and dance, excel in sports and recreation, and pursue their studies in our schools, colleges and other educational institutions; and

**WHEREAS** there are an estimated 45,000 Canadians with Down Syndrome, according to the Canadian Down Syndrome Society; and

**WHEREAS** World Down Syndrome day is recognized throughout Canada as a day to celebrate the many accomplishments, contributions and talents that people with Down Syndrome bring to their communities.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, on behalf of the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, I, Mayor Tom Mrakas, do hereby proclaim the **21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2021** as **World Down Syndrome Day** in the Town of Aurora.

Dated at the Town of Aurora  
This 16<sup>th</sup>, day of February, 2021.

Tom Mrakas  
Mayor