
National AccessAbility Week May 26 – June 1, 2024

WHEREAS Section 133 of the *Accessible Canada Act, 2019*, indicates that throughout Canada, in each year, the week starting on the last Sunday in May is to be known as National AccessAbility Week;

AND WHEREAS National AccessAbility Week is a week for Canadians to promote inclusion and accessibility in our communities and workplaces, and to celebrate our progress to be inspired to further break down accessibility barriers;

AND WHEREAS Promoting accessibility creates a more inclusive society, fostering understanding and respect for the rights of all individuals, regardless of ability;

AND WHEREAS this year's theme is "accessibility is within reach";

AND WHEREAS over 15 percent of Ontarians live with some form of a disability, and many persons living with disabilities face barriers in areas of employment, information and technology, transportation, housing, education, and recreation;

AND WHEREAS we all benefit from a community and economy without barriers to inclusion, and when persons with disabilities can participate in all aspects of society, including accessing employment, resources and services, it enriches Canada and its economy;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Pelham is committed to creating a community where accessibility is within reach, providing inclusive environments, services and programming that are accessible and welcoming to its' staff, residents, community members, and visitors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Pelham does hereby proclaim May 26-June 1, 2024, as National AccessAbility Week.

DATED AT the Town of Pelham this 15th day of May, 2024.

Mayor Marvin Junkin
Town of Pelham