PROCLAMATION

Aphasia Awareness Month

WHEREAS: Aphasia is a long-term communication disorder most commonly caused by stroke, affecting an estimated 165,000 Canadians. Research has found that aphasia negatively impacts quality of life more than Alzheimer's disease and cancer. Yet further research has found that only 5 per cent of the population possess basic knowledge of aphasia, leaving many individuals feeling misunderstood and socially isolated.

The Halton-Peel Community Aphasia Programs (H-PCAP) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing communication skills and quality of life for adults with aphasia and other acquired communication disorders. H-PCAP provides supportive, real-world social communication programming and education for families, friends, caregivers and the broader community, and currently serves over 160 adults living with aphasia every week.

On Friday June 19, 2026, H-PCAP will host its 10th Annual Talk, Stroll & Roll Walkathon for Aphasia from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Chinguacousy Park in Brampton, bringing together individuals living with aphasia, their families, caregivers, and community members.

Through the Talk, Stroll & Roll Walkathon and Aphasia Awareness Month, H-PCAP aims to raise public awareness and foster a more inclusive and compassionate Brampton for all those living with aphasia.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim June 2026, as "Aphasia Awareness Month" in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton