

**PROCLAMATION REQUEST –  
NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING  
FOR WORKERS KILLED OR INJURED IN WORKPLACE ACCIDENTS**

**Recommendation**

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005 be proclaimed as a “National Day of Mourning for Workers Killed or Injured in Workplace Accidents”;
- 2) That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website, published on the City Page, space permitting, and that staff issue a news release; and
- 3) That the City’s flags be lowered to half-mast on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

**Purpose**

To respond to the request received from the Labour Council, Toronto & York Region.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

The correspondence received from Mr. John Cartwright, President, Labour Council, Toronto & York Region, dated February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005, is attached (Attachment 1).

The proclamation request meets the requirements of the City’s Proclamation Policy as the matter relates to municipal business.

The Labour Council has requested the City of Vaughan commemorate this National Day. Last year Council proclaimed “April 28th as a National Day of Mourning for Workers Killed or Injured in Workplace Accidents” and directed that the City’s flags be lowered to half mast. It is noted that Members of Council are invited to attend this year’s ceremony to be held on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in front of the Monument to Workers at the Woodbridge Memorial Arena.

The Corporate Communications department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City’s website under “Events – Proclamations”. Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability. Corporate Communications will, given sufficient lead-time, issue news releases in support of the proclamations.

**Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

**Conclusion**

Staff is recommending:

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3) That the City's flags be lowered to half-mast.

**Attachments**

Attachment 1 - Correspondence from Mr. John Cartwright, President, Labour Council, Toronto & York Region, dated February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005

**Report prepared by:**

John D. Leach, City Clerk, Ext. 8281

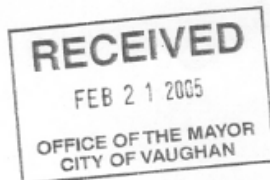
Respectfully submitted,

John D. Leach, City Clerk

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ATTACHMENT 1 p

February 18, 2005



Mayor Michael DiBiase  
City of Vaughan  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
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CLERK'S DEPT.

Dear Mayor DiBiase:

Re: National Day of Mourning

Since 1991, April 28th has been recognized nationally as the Day of Mourning to honour those who have died or were injured in workplace accidents.

For the first time we are planning a memorial ceremony in York Region and are hoping that you can join us. The ceremony will be held on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. in front of the Monument to Workers at the Woodbridge Memorial Arena (Islington and Highway 7).

I am writing to ask that the City of Vaughan commemorate this National Day, as you have in the past. I am looking forward to seeing you at the Monument to Workers to officially proclaim the day.

Yours truly,

John Cartwright  
President

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