



PROCLAMATION

International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

- Whereas,** *Violence continues to be the greatest gender inequality rights issue for women, girls and gender-diverse individuals; and*
- Whereas,** *Black, Indigenous, South Asian and South East Asian women and girls continue to experience high rates of violence, including femicide and were overrepresented within the Ontario Association of Interval and Transition Houses' 2020-2021 Annual Femicide List; and*
- Whereas,** *1 in 3 women and girls experience physical or sexual violence in their lifetime, most frequently by an intimate partner; and*
- Whereas,** *Violence against women is as serious a cause of death and incapacity among women of reproductive age as cancer, and a greater cause of ill health than traffic accidents and malaria combined; and*
- Whereas** *The Town of Caledon raises awareness about woman abuse and acknowledges continued commitment to address woman abuse; and*
- Now, Therefore,** *I, Annette Groves, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, do hereby proclaim*

November 25, 2022

as

***“International Day for the Elimination of
Violence Against Women”***

in the Town of Caledon and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

Annette Groves

Mayor Annette Groves