

## PROCLAMATION

## World Polio Day

Whereas, In 1985, Rotary launched PolioPlus and helped establish the Global Polio Eradication

Initiative, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and Gavi,

the Vaccine Alliance, to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

Whereas, Polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of

eradicating the disease forever; and

Whereas, To date, Rotary has contributed more than \$2.6 billion and countless volunteer hours to

protecting nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries; and

Whereas, These efforts are providing much-needed operational support, medical staff, laboratory

equipment, and educational materials for health workers and parents; and

Whereas, We encourage all citizens to join Rotary International in the fight for a polio-free world;

Now, Therefore, I, Allan Thompson, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, do hereby proclaim

October 24, 2022 As World Polio Day

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

Allan Thompson

Mayor Allan Thompson