

PROCLAMATION



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;

Whereas,

Polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease forever;

Whereas, To date, Rotary has contributed more than \$2.6 billion and countless volunteer hours to protecting nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries;

Whereas, These efforts are providing much-needed operational support, medical staff, laboratory equipment, and educational materials for health workers and parents;

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

Therefore, I, Annette Groves, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, hereby do proclaim

October 24,2025 as "World Polio Day"

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

Mayor Annette Groves, Town of Caledon

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