



# PROCLAMATION



*Whereas, 1 in 3 women and girls experience physical or sexual violence in their lifetime, most frequently by an intimate partner; and Whereas, Worldwide, almost 750 million women and girls alive today were married before their 18th birthday; and*

*Whereas, 1 in 2 women killed worldwide were killed by their partners or family in 2012; while only 1 out of 20 men were killed under similar circumstances; and*

*Whereas, 71% of all human trafficking victims worldwide are women and girls, and 3 out of 4 of these women and girls are sexually exploited; 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.*

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

**November 25, 2025**

**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.*

*Mayor Annette Groves, Town of Caledon*