

## **Proclamation**

Office of the Mayor

## HIV/AIDS Awareness Week November 24 - December 1, 2024

World AIDS Day December 1, 2024

## Indigenous HIV/AIDS Awareness Week December 1 - December 8, 2024

**WHEREAS** it is estimated that more than 400 people in Niagara are living with HIV and the virus continues to affect millions of lives globally.

**AND WHEREAS** raising awareness about HIV/AIDS is essential for reducing stigma, promoting education, and encouraging testing and treatment.

**AND WHEREAS** every individual has the right to accurate information, compassionate care, and the opportunity to live a healthy life fee from discrimination.

**AND WHEREAS** through collective efforts, we can support those affected by HIV, foster understanding, and advocate policies to ensure equitable access to healthcare.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Town of Pelham hereby proclaims the following in the Town of Pelham:

- 1) the week of November 24 to December 1, 2024 as HIV/AIDS Awareness Week;
- 2) December 1, 2024 as World AIDS Day; and
- 3) the week of December 1 to December 8, 2024 as Indigenous HIV/AIDS Awareness Week.

**DATED AT** the Town of Pelham this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

Mayor Marvin Junkin Town of Pelham