
Leave a Legacy Month
May 2025

WHEREAS May is recognized as **Leave a Legacy Month**, a national awareness campaign created by the Canadian Association of Gift Planners to highlight the importance and impact of charitable gifts in wills, encouraging individuals to consider how their legacy can extend beyond their lifetime and benefit future generation.

AND WHEREAS many residents of Pelham may believe that philanthropy is only for the wealthy, when in reality, even a small percentage of one's estate can create meaningful and lasting change in the community. Generosity is a powerful force for good, and individuals from all walks of life have the ability to make a difference by including a charitable gift in their will, ensuring their values live on through causes that matter most to them.

AND WHEREAS Niagara Community Foundation (NCF) has been Niagara's philanthropic partner for 25 years, helping turn intent into impact. Since its founding in 2000, NCF has raised over \$91.5 million in permanent endowment funds and has granted over \$31 million to charities across Niagara, supporting education, health care, environment, sports and recreation, arts and culture, and community development.

AND WHEREAS NCF continues to connect donors with causes, communities to resources, ensuring that charitable gifts are invested strategically to strengthen the local community in perpetuity. **NCF's 25th anniversary** provides an opportunity to reflect on the power of legacy giving and to inspire more residents to consider how even a 1% gift in their will can leave a profound and lasting impact on the charities and organizations that enrich life in Pelham and across Niagara.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Pelham hereby proclaims the month of May as Leave a Legacy Month in the Town of Pelham.

DATED AT the Town of Pelham this 26th day of March, 2025.



Mayor Marvin Junkin
Town of Pelham