

MEMORANDUM

TO: K. Kitteringham, City Clerk

COPY: Heritage Markham Committee

Peter Wokral, Senior Heritage Planner

FROM: Regan Hutcheson, Manager - Heritage Planning

DATE: Feb 10, 2021

SUBJECT: Proclamation of Heritage Week 2021

Flag Raising at Civic Centre

As per the **Proclamation Policy**, the Heritage Markham Committee and Heritage Section staff officially request that the third week in February 2021 be proclaimed as **Heritage Week in Markham** as per the Ontario Government. This also recognizes **Heritage Day (Monday February 15th, 2021)** as per Heritage Canada-National Trust. According to my files, Council has been proclaiming Heritage Week in Markham since at least 1986. The official dates would be:

Monday, February 15 to Sunday, February 21, 2021

As per the Community Flag Raising and Flag Protocol Policy, we would also request that the **Prince of Wales Prize Flag** be flown for the above week. This has been the City's custom since the Town of Markham won this prestigious award in 2000 and recognizes Markham as one of only 20 municipalities to have this honour. The official flag is stored in the Heritage Section of the Planning Department.

Due to COVID 19, Heritage Section staff will not have a heritage display booth in the Great Hall this year. We are exploring posting the availability of heritage walking tours on the City website in cooperation with Corporate Communications staff.

If you require further information or have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me (ext. 2080)

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