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**Subject:** FW: B-Strong Day Proclamation in honour of Lindsay Bolger  
**Attachments:** B-Strong Day Poster.pdf

**From:** Bill Dawson [mailto:bill.dawson.23@rogers.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 8:10 AM  
**To:** Capocci, Ralph; Scarpitti, Frank  
**Cc:** Kitteringham, Kimberley; Hau, Lucy  
**Subject:** RE: B-Strong Day Proclamation in honour of Lindsay Bolger

Mr. Mayor/Ralph, I can't begin to tell you how pleased I am that you have taken to this initiative for Lindsay. As you know, Lindsay was and continues to be an inspiration to us all. Lindsay's strength, determination and commitment personifies her very being. Please see the attached copy that we are using to both acknowledge the day for Lindsay (her date of birth) and to promote the sale of the Lindsay Bear. Below is some information on Lindsay and thoughts on the day that are outlined on the B-Strong website.

28 years ago on April 22, 1983, a beautiful daughter, sister, niece, granddaughter, cousin and close friend of many was born. Lindsay lost a courageous battle to the scourge of brain cancer at the young age of 26 on November 26, 2009. While Lindsay left us far too early, she left having made a significant difference. Lindsay B-Strong initiative embodies her strength, determination and commitment towards making this difference in the face of her own adversities. Lindsay's legacy is B-Strong.

The B-Strong family announces April 22nd as B-Strong day!

B-Strong Day is a time to reach out to your loved ones, family member, friend or B-Strong for yourself.

Take a minute today and find the strength to give a hug, a hand or a smile to someone.

Other possibilities may be:

- Contact a friend who is ill, just to ask how they are.
- Contact someone you haven't spoken to in a while just to ask how they are.
- Drive someone to a doctor's appointment.
- Buy a Lindsay Bear or B-Strong cap and give it to someone facing any sort of challenge.
- Buy a Lindsay Bear or B-Strong cap and drop it by a hospital for a young patient.
- Make a donation to The B-Strong Fund to help those fighting brain tumours.
- Contact any non-profit organization to see what you can do to help.
- Since it is also Earth Day, consider planting a tree, bush or flower in memory of someone.

**Bill Dawson Chartered Accountant**

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March 2, 2011

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Mayor Frank Scarpetti  
City of Markham  
101 Town Centre Blvd.  
Markham L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpetti:

**Re: National Day of Mourning**

Since 1991, April 28th has been recognized nationally as the Day of Mourning.

I am writing to ask that the City of Markham commemorate this National Day. The Labour Council is requesting that the Town:

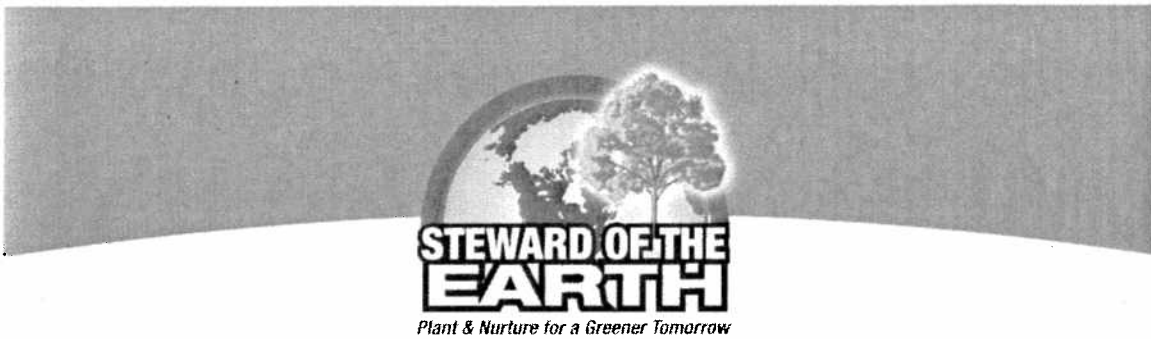
1. Officially proclaim Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> as a "Day of Mourning for workers killed or injured on the job".
2. Publicize the proclamation as widely as possible.
3. Lower the City's flags to half-mast.

Yours truly,

John Cartwright  
President

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March 24, 2011

Mayor Scarpitti and Members of Council  
Town of Markham  
101 Town Centre Blvd.  
Anthony Roman Centre  
Markham, ON L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpitti and Council,

Steward of the Earth, a not-for-profit community organization, aims to get one tree in the hands of every young person in Canada. With roots firmly planted in York Region, Steward of the Earth is a unique organization that brings together local businesses and schools to provide students with a hands-on learning experience that teaches the environmental benefits of planting and nurturing one tree at a time.

In 2011 we will be bringing the Steward of the Earth program to several schools in Markham. On behalf of all our stakeholders and the local children we serve, we are writing to ask that you recognize May 11<sup>th</sup>, the second Wednesday of May, as this year's official Steward of the Earth Day in the Town of Markham.

Last year, with the generous support of many community level sponsors, we were able to deliver our unique program to over 5,000 children in York Region. Working in collaboration with local municipalities, local schools and sponsors, we gave a significant number of young people the opportunity to learn about the benefits of trees and to become environmental leaders in their own communities.

Providing you agree to make the declaration, it is our hope to recognize the winning classes of local schools at a ceremony at your town hall. We would hope that members of council would be available at the presentation to help us celebrate those local classes with the highest program participation.

Steward of the Earth is a unique community based program with roots in York Region. While our long term goal is to deliver the program to every young person in Canada, we could not move towards that goal if it weren't for the significant support from local communities like the Town of Markham. We look forward to continuing to grow the program and appreciate your support.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

Peter Seemann  
Chairman  
Steward of the Earth



## A Face, A Space and A Place

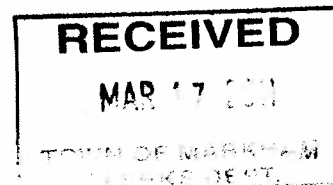
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March 3rd, 2011

Ms. Kimberley Kitteringham, Town Clerk,  
Town Of Markham,  
101 Town Centre Blvd,  
Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3



### RE: York Region PRIDE Week – June 5-12, 2011

Dear Ms. Kitteringham,

On behalf of the York Region PRIDE Committee, we are writing to request your participation in PRIDE Week 2011.

The YORK PRIDE FEST Committee is a group of volunteer leaders who assemble each year to organize York Region's Pride Week celebrations. This year marks the eleventh anniversary of Pride Week celebrations in York Region. On behalf of the YORK PRIDE FEST Committee, we are requesting participation and leadership from the Town Of Markham through the Proclamation of PRIDE WEEK June 5th to June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011. This Proclamation would be a valued acknowledgement of the lives and contributions of people of all sexual orientations and gender identities living in York Region.

To increase awareness, over the past two years it has been one of our goals to organize the flying of the Rainbow Flag across the region during Pride Week. Previously, this had occurred in York Region only once in 2002, even though many neighbouring towns outside York Region have regularly raised this flag on civic flagpoles during their own pride weeks. In response to our requests in 2009 and 2010, we were delighted and thankful to the city of Vaughan and towns of Aurora, Georgina, Markham and Newmarket, for flying the Rainbow Flag in their municipalities during Pride Week. We request that during Pride Week 2011 the Rainbow Flag be raised in the Town Of Markham, in celebration of diversity and protection of equality. If needed, we would be delighted to provide a flag of a size to meet your preference.

Please visit the York Region PRIDE FEST website at [www.yorkpridefest.com](http://www.yorkpridefest.com) for up-to-date information about events scheduled throughout Pride Week. Also feel free to contact Barbara Urman at 905-780-9927 ext. 225 or [burman@fsyr.ca](mailto:burman@fsyr.ca).

We thank you for your consideration and look forward to welcoming you to some of the exciting activities happening throughout York Region during Pride Week.

Sincerely,

Elsha Laker, MSW,RSW  
Executive Director,  
Family Services York Region

Mike Taggart  
Committee Chair,  
York Pride Fest

Barbara Urman, MSW,RSW  
Committee Co-Chair,  
York Pride Fest