

## **Proclamation**

## **Franco-Ontarian Day**

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

**Whereas** 2024 marks over 400 years of the arrival of the first French Settlers in Ontario; and

**Whereas** L'Association des Francophones de la Region de York (L'AFRY) celebrates the anniversary of the arrival of Etienne Brule and the presence of francophones in York Region; and

**Whereas** the Franco-Ontarian flag has been officially recognized by Queen's Park on June 21st, 2001; and

**Whereas** the Franco-Ontarian Day Act adopted unanimously in April 2010 by the Legislative Assembly proclaimed September 25 of each year as Franco-Ontarian Day; and

**Whereas** the Francophone community has been part of York Region for a very long time and Franco-Ontarians are proud to have contributed to the cultural, historical, social, economic and political life of the province and within York Region.

Therefore be it resolved that, on behalf of the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, I, Mayor Tom Mrakas, do hereby proclaim the week of **Wednesday, September 25, 2024** as Franco-Ontarian Day in the Town of Aurora.

Tom Mrakas Mayor