



MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of Regional Council

FROM: Adelina Urbanski
Commissioner of Community and Health Services

DATE: March 24, 2011

RE: **National Access Awareness Week – May 29 to June 4, 2011**

Every year, York Regional Council has recognized National Access Awareness Week.

The purpose of this memorandum is to request that, as in past years, Council endorse the recognition of National Access Awareness Week, May 29 to June 4, 2011, in The Regional Municipality of York.

If approved, it is also requested that the Regional Clerk forward this memo to the local municipalities for their information.

National Access Awareness Week was established in 1988 in response to a request from Rick Hansen following his Man in Motion World Tour. Its primary aim is to bring together people with disabilities, the organizations who serve them, and business, labour, and government, in order to facilitate changes that will allow the full participation of people with disabilities in all aspects of Canadian life.

York Region reflects these ideals in its ongoing commitment to create accessible communities. National Access Awareness Week offers an opportunity to celebrate the work that is being done across the Region to make programs and services more accessible for people with disabilities.

If you have any questions, please contact Cordelia Abankwa-Harris, Managing Director, Strategic Service Integration and Policy Branch of the Community and Health Services Department at Extension 2150.

Adelina Urbanski
Commissioner of Community and Health Services

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