



THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.:

Title: Flying of the Every Child Matters Flag

Date: May 2, 2022

Moved by: Councillor A. Lawlor

Seconded by: Councillor B. Lewis

Item No.

WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills Flag Raising and Proclamation Policy 2021-0003 (“the Policy”) regulates the flying of flags and half-masting guidelines for all flags flown at Town facilities;

AND WHEREAS the Policy has made provisions for the Mississaugas of the Credit, First Nations (MCFN) Flag to be flown only at Town Hall, Acton Arena and Community Centre and the Halton Hills Cultural Centre being prime locations reflecting ceremonial and programming activities in Halton Hills;

AND WHEREAS the Policy states that “at NO time shall more than one flag be flown on any pole at a time”;

AND WHEREAS in line with the Assembly of First Nations call to raise the Every Child Matters flag until all indigenous children’s remains are recovered, named and returned to their homeland physically or symbolically with proper traditional ceremonies;

AND WHEREAS the courtesy pole located at Town Hall would not be continuously available to fly the Every Child Matters flag for this undetermined length of time;

AND WHEREAS after consulting with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, they have agreed it is appropriate to fly the Every Child Matters Flag under the MCFN flag at Town facilities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Town of Halton Hills make an exception to the Policy rule to not fly more than one flag on any pole at a time, to allow the Every Child Matters and MCFN flags fly on the same pole;

AND FURTHER THAT once the Every Child Matters flag has been raised with the MCFN flag, the Town will cease to lower flags to half mast in response to the locating of future indigenous children's graves, unless requested by the Federal Government, Assembly of First Nations or the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Mayor Rick Bonnette