



## Proclamation

January 2020

### National Alzheimer's Awareness Month

I, **Mayor Sandy Brown**, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2020 as “**National Alzheimer's Awareness Month**” in the Town of Orangeville.

**Whereas**, 25,000 new cases are diagnosed each year in Canada and it is estimated that approximately 564,000 persons are currently living with dementia in Canada; and

**Whereas**, people living with dementia often feel excluded or treated differently because of their condition; and

**Whereas**, stigma and discrimination are some of the biggest barriers for people with dementia and their families to quality of life and living well with the disease; and

**Whereas**, when someone is diagnosed with dementia, their story continues—dementia is just part of their story.

**Whereas**, it's possible to live well with dementia, but with the right education and support, people with dementia can still enjoy a good quality of life.

**Whereas**, the Alzheimer Society of Dufferin County provides programs, education and support for over 400 individuals and families living with Alzheimer's disease or other dementias in Dufferin County; and

**Whereas**, the Alzheimer Society's 2020 Awareness Campaign proclaims “**Every Person with Dementia has a Story to Tell**”.

**Now Therefore**, I urge all citizens of our community to become more aware and educated concerning the far-reaching effects of this devastating disease.

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Sandy Brown  
Mayor