



Proclamation

April 28, 2020

National Day of Mourning

Whereas, April 28 is observed across Canada and in countries around the world as the National Day of Mourning for workers killed, injured, disabled or suffer disease as a result of work; and

Whereas, April 28 was proclaimed a “National Day of Mourning” by an Act of Parliament on February 1, 1991, as a day to remember, reflect and re-commit; and

Whereas, thanks to the commitment and dedication of those who fight for improved workplace health and safety every day, advances have been made that make Ontario a safer place to work; however, despite this progress, too many people continue to lose their lives, or suffer an injury or illness as a result of their job; and

Whereas, every worker has the right to return home safe and sound at the end of each work day; and

Whereas, April 28 of each year is:

- A day to mourn and remember all workers who have been stricken with illness, injured or have lost their lives on the job;
- A day to remember children left without a parent and families facing hardships, including family and friends, who nurse or care for ill and injured workers;
- A day to renew approaches to governments for tougher occupational health and safety standards, and more effective compensation;
- A day to re-dedicate ourselves to the goal of making Canada’s workplaces safer; and

Whereas, by working together – with employers, workers and health and safety partners, we can prevent injuries and deaths to workers before they occur.

Now Therefore, I, Mayor Sandy Brown, do hereby proclaim **April 28, 2020** as “**National Day of Mourning**” in the Town of Orangeville and encourage all citizens to observe this National Day of Mourning in recognition of workers killed, injured, disabled or suffer disease on the job.

Sandy Brown
Mayor