



Proclamation

June 15, 2023

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Whereas, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) was launched June 15, 2006 by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations; and

Whereas, WEAAD supports the United Nations International Plan of Action that acknowledges the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and

Whereas, since its inception, communities around the world used this day as an opportunity to raise awareness of elder abuse and neglect of older persons, by sharing information about the facts of elder abuse, the rights of older persons and promote resources and services to support seniors' safety and well-being; and

Whereas, Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario in collaboration with local Elder Abuse Networks, such as our local Ageing Well in Caledon-Dufferin community agencies, will be planning WEAAD activities to mobilize community action, education, and create awareness of elder abuse and engage people in discussions of how to promote dignity and respect of older adults; and

Now Therefore, I, **Mayor Lisa Post**, on behalf of Council, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2023 as "**World Elder Abuse Awareness Day**" in the Town of Orangeville.

Lisa Post
Mayor