

**The Corporation of the Town of Ajax
May 15, 2023**

Motion

Flag Raising Requests

Moved by: Regional Councillor Lee
Seconded by: Councillor Tyler Morin

WHEREAS the Town provides opportunity for flag raisings to acknowledge recognition of national and independence days, art, community and cultural events and celebrations, charitable fundraising/public awareness campaigns, civic events, and other celebrations and commemorations recognized by the Ontario Provincial Legislature;

AND WHEREAS a formal operating procedure (LIS-WI-026) is in place to recognize the steps to approve or deny flag raising requests, and hold formal ceremonies as requested;

AND WHEREAS flag raisings are considered as Town-run events and the contents of the associated programming should align with the beliefs and values of the Council and the Town;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Office of the CAO, in consultation with Legislative and Information Services, update the Town's operating procedure for Flag Raising Requests to:

- i. differentiate the criteria for raising flags at Ajax Town Hall from Pat Bayly Square;
- ii. establish guidelines for flag raising ceremonies and photos opportunities, and
- iii. ensure the appropriate oversight of flag raising programming by the Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator