
August 4, 2026

Michael Macpherson
230 Queen Street South
Thorold, Ontario L2V 3P5

Attention: Michael Macpherson, President - CUPE Local 2276

Dear Michael,

I am pleased to advise that in accordance with City Policy, the day of Tuesday, June 23, 2026, has been declared as “**DSW Appreciation Day**” in the City of Welland.

As per your letter, I am enclosing an official declaration signed by Mayor Campion, for your use and information.

Yours truly,



Sarah Conidi
Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy City Clerk

Enclosure

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PROCLAMATION

“DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES WORKER APPRECIATION DAY”

June 23, 2026

Whereas, Developmental Services Workers provide essential, person-centered support to individuals with developmental disabilities, helping them live with dignity, independence, inclusion, and meaningful participation in their communities; and

Whereas, Developmental Services Workers support individuals in their homes, workplaces, educational settings, recreational activities, and throughout the wider community, while promoting personal choice, safety, human rights, and quality of life; and

Whereas, these dedicated professionals build trusted relationships with the individuals and families they support and frequently provide assistance with complex physical, emotional, behavioural, medical, and communication needs; and

Whereas, Developmental Services Workers demonstrate compassion, professionalism, patience, resilience, and an unwavering commitment to ensuring that people with developmental disabilities are respected, valued, and fully included in community life; and

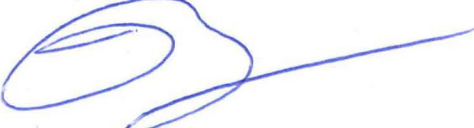
Whereas, Developmental Services Workers throughout Welland and the Niagara Region make an important contribution to the strength, accessibility, and inclusiveness of our community; and

Whereas, recognizing Developmental Services Workers also highlights the importance of investing in a stable, adequately funded developmental services sector that can recruit and retain skilled professionals and provide reliable, high-quality support to individuals and families.

Therefore, I, Frank Campion, Mayor of the City of Welland, on behalf of Welland City Council, do hereby proclaim June 23, 2026, as **DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES WORKER APPRECIATION DAY** in the City of Welland, and encourage all residents to recognize and thank Developmental Services Workers for their vital service, dedication, advocacy, and contributions to an inclusive community.

Mayor's Office
June 2026




Frank Campion
MAYOR