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## PROCLAMATION

## "CHRISTIAN HERITAGE MONTH"

## December 2025

- WHEREAS, In the conferences and negotiations that brought about Confederation, Canada was originally named "Dominion of Canada", a name reportedly inspired by the passage in the Bible (King James Version) at Psalm 72:8, which states: "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth"; and
- WHEREAS, The month of December marks significant events and celebrations in the Christian calendar, from the beginning of Advent to the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ; and
- WHEREAS, According to Statistics Canada's 2021 Census of Population, Christianity is the largest religion in Canada, with over half of Canadians identifying as Christian; and
- *WHEREAS,* Christian Heritage Month provides an opportunity for Canadians of all backgrounds to appreciate and celebrate the positive impact of Christianity on our shared history.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK CAMPION, Mayor of the City of Welland

do hereby proclaim December 2025 as

"CHRISTIAN HERITAGE MONTH" in the City of Welland.

Frank Campion MAYOR

Mayor's Office December 2025