

# Proclamation



## The Corporation of the Town of Amherstburg

### *“English as a Second Language Week” October 29 – November 3, 2017*

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has welcomed many peoples from around the world who have chosen this province as the place to start a new life in Canada, now as much as any other time in its history, and many of these immigrants undertake to learn English in order to communicate with their fellow Ontarians, allowing them to start the process of building productive and rewarding lives in their new country;

**AND WHEREAS** this diverse and multifaceted group of learners of English as a Second Language can be found throughout all levels of society in Ontario, whether they are students in school, at any level, teachers, researchers, caregivers, volunteers and workers, business owners and employees, professionals and labourers, all benefit from instruction in English as a Second Language and use that new knowledge to contribute to this province on an ongoing basis;

**AND WHEREAS** our professional organization, TESL (Teachers of English as a Second Language) Ontario, hosts a conference each fall in downtown Toronto that features professional development in the form of workshops, keynote speakers and diverse presentations for teachers of English as a Second Language to develop, update and expand their knowledge base, skills and abilities to aid newcomers to our province in their efforts to acquire English language skills.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Aldo DiCarlo, on behalf of Amherstburg Town Council, do hereby proclaim October 29<sup>th</sup> to November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 as “English as a Second Language Week” in the Town of Amherstburg.



Aldo DiCarlo, Mayor