

# Proclamation



## The Corporation of the Town of Amherstburg

### *“April 2, 2019 – World Autism Awareness Day”*

*Where As: World Autism Awareness Day will be recognized on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, in Canada thanks to Liberal Senator Jim Munson’s Bill S-206, An Act Respecting World Autism Awareness Day; and*

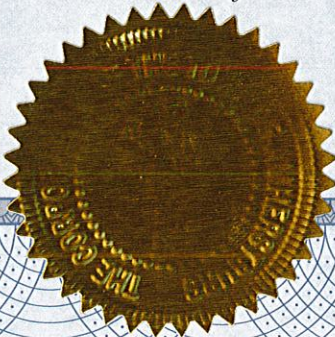
*Where As: Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) affects more than 135,000 Ontarians. Autism Spectrum Disorder is now recognized as the most common neurological disorder affecting 1 in every 66 children, as well as their friends, family, and community; and*

*Where As: ASD is a spectrum disorder, which means it not only manifests itself differently in every individual in whom it appears, but its characteristics will change over the life of the individual as well. A child with ASD will become an adult with ASD; and*

*Where As: Autism Ontario (formerly Autism Society Ontario) is the leading source of information and referral on autism and one of the largest collective voices representing the autism community. Since 1973, Autism Ontario has been providing support, information and opportunities for thousands of families across the province; and*

*Where As: Autism Ontario is dedicated to increasing public awareness about autism and the day-to-day issues faced by individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals with whom they interact. The association and its chapters share common goals of providing information and education, supporting research, and advocating for programs and services for the autism community; and*

*Therefore: I, Mayor DiCarlo, do hereby declare April 2<sup>nd</sup> as  
World Autism Awareness Day.*



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. DiCarlo".

Aldo DiCarlo, Mayor