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Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Request for Proclamation of National Volunteer Week (April 27 – May 3, 2025) and City Hall Illumination
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Dear Mayor Brown and Members of City Council,

On behalf of Volunteer Airdrie, I am pleased to submit this request for the proclamation of National Volunteer Week (April 27 – May 3, 2025) in the City of Airdrie. Volunteer Airdrie is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting volunteerism, fostering community engagement, and recognizing the invaluable contributions of volunteers in Airdrie.

National Volunteer Week is a time to celebrate and appreciate the dedication of volunteers who make a meaningful difference in our community. This annual event aligns with the City of Airdrie's commitment to civic engagement and community development by recognizing the thousands of hours contributed by volunteers to support local initiatives, programs, and services.

To acknowledge and honor the significant impact of volunteers, we respectfully request:

- 1. A formal proclamation by the City of Airdrie declaring April 27 May 3, 2025, as National Volunteer Week to recognize and encourage volunteerism within our community.
- 2. Illumination of City Hall in blue on April 27, 2025, to symbolize appreciation for volunteers and their contributions. Blue is commonly associated with trust, dedication, and community spirit, values that reflect the heart of volunteerism. This color is also recognized nationally by Volunteer Canada in its branding for National Volunteer Week, representing the selfless efforts of volunteers who strengthen our communities.

Below is the proposed wording for the proclamation:

## **National Volunteer Week Proclamation**

WHEREAS, volunteers are the heart of our community, giving generously of their time, skills, and passion to improve the lives of others and strengthen the social fabric of Airdrie; and

WHEREAS, volunteerism fosters community spirit, supports vital programs and services, and enhances the overall quality of life in Airdrie; and

WHEREAS, the City of Airdrie recognizes the outstanding contributions of volunteers in supporting social, cultural, environmental, and economic initiatives that benefit all residents; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week provides an opportunity to celebrate and express gratitude to those who dedicate their time to making Airdrie a vibrant, inclusive, and compassionate community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Brown, Mayor of the City of Airdrie, do hereby proclaim April 27 – May 3, 2025, as National Volunteer Week in Airdrie and encourage all residents to recognize and support the efforts of volunteers who make a meaningful difference in our city.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. We appreciate the City of Airdrie's support in recognizing the essential role of volunteers in our community. Please let us know if any additional information is required.

Sincerely,

Gillian Greene, Board Member On behalf of Volunteer Airdrie Ph: