

**Resolution in Support of proclaiming
June 2025 as Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month**

Resolution 2025-106

Moved by Councillor Proderick

Seconded by Councillor Budarick

WHEREAS a stroke occurs every 5 minutes in Canada resulting in physical, emotional, cognitive and communication impairments; and

WHEREAS aphasia is a language disorder affecting 30% of stroke survivors impacting a person's ability to use and comprehend language, it does not affect intelligence; and

WHEREAS Victorian Order of Nurses is a not-for-profit organization providing post-stroke information, social, emotional and communication supports and stroke-specific exercise programs for both stroke survivors and their families to better cope with life changes related to stroke; and

WHEREAS persons with stroke and/or aphasia benefit from community supports to promote positive outcomes and improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS the Greater Kingston Victorian Order of Nurses Stroke Services encourage community members to recognize the warning signs of stroke and to immediately call 911; and

WHEREAS the Greater Kingston Victorian Order of Nurses Stroke Services encourages community members to learn about aphasia and how to become better communication partners to promote accessible communication.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Loyalist Township proclaim June 1st to 30th as Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month.