

April 28, 2026

## **Proclamation of June 2026 as Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month**

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The Council of The Corporation of Loyalist Township at the meeting held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, passed the following resolution:

### **Resolution 2026-116**

Moved by Councillor Proderick  
Seconded by Councillor Ennis

1. That Council receive the proclamation request; and
2. That Council endorse the proclamation resolution as circulated on the agenda:

**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 1 to 30, 2026 as Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month.