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PROCLAMATION Brain Injury Awareness Month June 2021

WHEREAS, Brain Injury Awareness Month highlights awareness on the effects and causes of acquired injury across Canada and in Halton Region; and

WHEREAS, brain injury in Canada is a silent epidemic and is the number one killer and disabler of people under the age of 44 and the leading cause of death and disability for Canadian children; and

WHEREAS, in Ontario there are half a million people living with brain injury and 18,000 new cases are added every year. Each hour six Canadians suffer a brain injury; and

WHEREAS, a simple fall, blow to the head, motor vehicle accidents, sports injury, cycling accidents, stroke, tumours, aneurysms and other non-degenerative conditions are all leading causes of acquired brain injury in Canada and can also include mild brain injuries or concussions; and

WHEREAS, the behavioural, social, cognitive, emotional, and economic consequences of brain injuries are devastating not only to the survivors themselves, but to family members, caregivers, and the community at large; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Rob Burton, Mayor of the Town of Oakville, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** June 2021 as **Brain Injury Awareness Month** in the Town of Oakville.

Mayor Rob Burton, TOWN OF OAKVILLE