

THE CITY OF WINDSOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

"Jewish Heritage Month" May 2023

- WHEREAS: Canada has a Jewish population of approximately 400,000 people, more than 1% of the total Canadian population, making it the fourth-largest Jewish population in the world, and third largest in the Jewish Diaspora.
- WHEREAS: the Jewish community, with a long and proud history in Canada and in Windsor, has made significant contributions to the wellbeing, growth and prosperity of Windsor and all of Canada while overcoming tremendous obstacles.
- WHEREAS: Jewish Canadians have excelled in a wide range of endeavours, including the arts, sciences, law, architecture, media, finance, philanthropy, entertainment and business, significantly contributing to Canadian life.
- WHEREAS: In 2018, Parliament adopted Bill S-232, an "Act Respecting Canadian Jewish Heritage Month", designating the month of May as Canadian Jewish Heritage Month, thereby recognizing the important contributions that Jewish Canadians have made to Canada's social, economic, political, and cultural fabric.
- WHEREAS: Parliament declared that Canadian Jewish Heritage Month would provide an opportunity to remember, celebrate and educate future generations about the inspirational role that Jewish Canadians have played and continue to play in communities across the country.
- WHEREAS: B'nai Brith, a Jewish human rights organization that has been active in Canada since 1875, has invited municipalities to enhance Parliament's declaration by adopting their own motions and promoting the celebration of Jewish Heritage month within their respective communities every May.

THEREFORE: I, Drew Dilkens, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim



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