

To: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Sadie Norrad, Accessibility and Communication Specialist

Meeting Date: May 2, 2018

Subject: Report AAC18-020

National Access Awareness Week

Purpose

A report from the Accessibility and Communication Specialist to provide information on National Accessibility Week.

Recommendation

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC18-020 dated May 2, 2018, of the Accessibility and Communication Specialist as follows:

That the report from the Accessibility and Communication Specialist on National Accessibility Week be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

In the spirit of partnership, National Accessibility Week (NAW) is an opportunity to bring together individuals, organizations, businesses and different levels of government to affect meaningful changes in the daily lives of persons with disabilities. NAW is celebrated annually during the last week of May.

The Accessibility and Communication Specialist has been working with the Council for Persons with Disabilities on the 2018 NAW celebrations, which will take place from May 27 to June 2. Events have been scheduled throughout the week to raise awareness about accessibility and to recognizing businesses and organizations in our community that are accessibility champions.

Opening ceremonies will take place on Sunday, May 27, 2018 at the Lions Centre. Closing Ceremonies will take place on June 1, 2018 at the Venture North Building. Additional events will be scheduled throughout the week, a calendar outlining all events will be made available to the community.

Once again NAW will include the Champion Award, an award that will be presented to one business or organization in the City of Peterborough and County of Peterborough who goes beyond eliminating barriers. The deadline to submit applications is May 11, 2018. The Accessibility Champion Award will be presented at the closing ceremonies.

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