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From: Ida Li Preti, Trustee Ward 3

Subject: Consideration of Motion – TCDSB Proclaim Wednesday of National Accessibility Week as Red Shirt Day.

MOVED BY: Ida Li Preti, Toronto Catholic District School Board

WHEREAS: National Accessibility Week is taking place from May 30 to June 5, 2021 and this year's theme "Disability Inclusion 2021: Leaving no one behind", relates to many of the topics and meaningful discussions we continue to have at the TCDSB.

WHEREAS: National Accessibility Week (NAAW) is an opportunity to celebrate the valuable contributions of Canadians with disabilities and to recognize the efforts of individuals, communities and workplaces that are actively working to remove barriers to accessibility and inclusion.

WHEREAS: Easter Seals is just one example of an organization participating in National Accessibility Week and on June 2nd, Easter Seals invites everyone to participate in Red Shirt Day by wearing Red to support Accessibility and Inclusion which highlights their support for people living with disabilities.

WHEREAS: Canadians are pledging to take individual and collective action to help create a fully accessible and inclusive society that honours and values the contributions of people of all abilities and in all aspects of life.

WHEREAS: Red Shirt Day is a day when people across Canada come together and wear red in schools and workplaces in order to create a visible display of solidarity for people and families living with disabilities.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: TCDSB proclaim every Wednesday of National Accessibility Week Red Shirt Day to help advance accessibility awareness beginning on Wednesday June 2, 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: TCDSB students and staff be encouraged to wear something red to support National Accessibility Week and to promote messages of support for people and families living with disabilities.

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