



At its April 16, 2018 Regular Council Meeting the Town of Essex approved the following proclamation:

## Proclamation

**Whereas**, in Canada, we are fortunate to have a multitude of communities committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification; and

**Whereas**, communities are committed to ensuring sustainable development for future generations; and

**Whereas**, participation in Communities in Bloom builds communities, strengthens volunteer and community development, enhances social interaction, and creates community pride; and

**Whereas**, the benefits provided by Communities in Bloom may boost the economy, create sustainability, enhance property values, attract new business, and increase tourism; and

**Whereas**, our parks, open spaces, green spaces, and trails ensure sustainability, provide space to enjoy nature, help maintain clean air and water, and preserve plant and animal wildlife; and

**Whereas**, all community levels: municipal, residential, commercial, and institutional work together to ensure the voluntary sector and private enterprise throughout the Country participate in the planning, development, and operation of recreation and parks programs, services, and facilities.

**Now, Therefore be it Resolved**, that Communities in Bloom does hereby proclaim that the week of May 7, has been designated as Communities in Bloom Week which will annually recognize and celebrate the benefits derived from Communities in Bloom and the countless volunteers and individuals that make our communities great places to live.

**Therefore**, the Town of Essex, in recognition of the benefits and values that Communities in Bloom does provide, do hereby designate the week of May 7, 2018 as Communities in Bloom Week.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ron McDermott".

Ron (Tout) McDermott  
Mayor of the Town of Essex