

SAMPLE PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** Spina bifida is a birth defect that develops within the first four weeks of pregnancy resulting in varying degrees of permanent neurological damage; and
- WHEREAS** hydrocephalus is an excessive accumulation of fluid in the brain. It may be present at birth or may develop at any stage later in life; and
- WHEREAS** there is no cure for either of these conditions that result in varying degrees of disability; and
- WHEREAS** the Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario serves people with spina bifida and hydrocephalus, their families and the public; and
- WHEREAS** Health Canada has proclaimed June as Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Awareness Month; and
- WHEREAS** there are many people who are not aware of the Association or that it offers support, information and education programs and funds research to find ways to prevent and treat these conditions; and
- WHEREAS** the Association encourages all Ontarians to learn more about these conditions and to appreciate the challenges faced by individuals affected by them, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED

That the _____ hereby proclaims the month of June to be

SPINA BIFIDA AND HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH

in the _____ and I urge all citizens to give full consideration and attention to the Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario for their work on behalf of those with spina bifida and hydrocephalus and their families.

Signature

Date