## HEART AND STROKE FOUNDATION

Mayor Nelson Santos Town of Kingsville 2021 Division Road N Kingsville, ON N9Y 2Y9

December 12, 2016

## Dear Mayor Santos:

Every February Heart & Stroke celebrates Heart Month by holding its Canvassing Campaign. During this month, we rely on more than 90,000 passionate Canadians to selflessly brave the cold and give their time by canvassing local neighbourhoods to collect donations to help us further our mission - prevent disease, save lives and promote recovery.

Since our founding in 1952, Heart & Stroke funded research has been the engine driving relentless progress in heart disease and stroke prevention and care across Canada. Over the past six decades, the generosity of our donors has enabled us to invest almost \$1.4 billion into life-saving research – research that has revolutionized the prevention and treatment of heart disease and stroke. The impact of these advances has been extraordinary and largely led to a 75 per cent reduction in the rate of death from heart disease and stroke. Despite that remarkable progress, the Foundation's work is more urgent than ever, because heart disease and stroke still takes one life every seven minutes in Canada.

As a volunteer-based health charity, we strive to tangibly improve the health of every Canadian family, every day.

February is recognized as Heart Month in Canada and the Heart & Stroke Windsor Essex County office respectfully requests your proclamation of February 2017 as Heart Month in the Town of Kingsville. I would be grateful to receive notification of approval of this proclamation. To this end, I have enclosed a draft 'Proclamation' for your reference.

If I may provide any additional information, please contact me at your convenience. I can be reached at 226-783-3468 or by email at holly.kirkmclean@heartandstroke.ca

Sincerely,

Area Manager

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## **Proclamation**

Town of Kingsville

Mayor Nelson Santos

## February 2017

WHEREAS: Heart disease or stroke takes a Canadian life every 7 minutes.

AND WHEREAS: Heart & Stroke's mission is to prevent disease, save lives and promote recovery. As a volunteer-based health charity, we strive to tangibly improve the health of every Canadian family, every day.

**AND WHEREAS:** February is Heart Month in Canada, during which Heart & Stroke Canvassing Campaign takes place, to support on-going heart disease and stroke life-saving research, health promotion and advocacy;

**AND WHEREAS:** We applaud and commend the thousands of volunteers, staff and researchers of Heart & Stroke for their dedication and commitment and wish them continued success:

I, THEREFORE: proclaim that the month of February be observed as "Heart Month" in the Town of Kingsville. I further urge all citizens to open their heart to Heart & Stroke Canvassing Campaign, and all civic, social organizations and business establishments to give this campaign the greatest possible support.

