

Proclamation & Flag Request Form

The Town of Shelburne issues proclamations and offers flag raisings to recognize your special day or event.

Proclamations and flag raising requests are to be submitted at least four (4) weeks prior to the date for which the proclamation and/or flag raising is requested.

Information is collected under the authority of The Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Questions about the collection of personal information should be directed to the Clerk at 519-925-2600.

Today's date *

1/12/2026



Organization or Business Name *

The Canadian Dental Hygienists Association
(CDHA)

Contact Name *

Brittney Sander

Organization or Business Website

https://www.cdha.ca/cdha/News-Events_folder/National_Dental_Hygienist_Week/C_DHA/News-Events_folder/NDHW/NDHW.aspx

Please provide your e-mail address. *

bsander@cdha.ca

What is your request for? *

- Proclamation
- Flag raising
- Both proclamation and flag raising

Proclamation - details

Purpose of the proclamation and background information *

National Dental Hygienists Week™ is celebrated annually April 4-10, highlighting the importance of maintaining good oral health practices while helping Canadians to understand the vital role dental hygienists play in the health care system. Our theme "Oral Health for Total Health," reminds us that taking care of our mouth, teeth, and gums positively impacts other aspects of our lives. Why purple? The colour purple is associated with dental hygiene and has been the official colour of dental professionals since 1897 when lilac was first chosen for the emblem of the National Association of Dental Faculties. Purple has long been the trim colour for dental hygiene graduates' caps and gowns and is said to signify compassion, purpose, and inspiration.

Length of proclamation*

- Day
- Week
- Month

*Requests do not have exclusive rights to day, week or month being proclaimed.

Enter the date, or the start date of the week or month of your proclamation (Month, Day, Year) *

4/4/2026



Type the text of your proclamation in the field below. *

Take this document to your Mayor, Provincial or Federal representative and ask them to announce Oral Health Month and/or National Dental Hygienists Week™ in Chambers or the House.

Official National Dental Hygienists Week™ Proclamation

WHEREAS 59% of Canadian children and 96% of adults have experienced cavities, and 21% of Canadian adults have experienced periodontal (gum) issues.

And WHEREAS research shows a direct link between oral health and overall health and well-being, such as periodontal disease being linked to several serious illnesses, including lung disease, diabetes, and heart disease.

AND WHEREAS oral health issues are easily preventable and treatable, and Canadians, especially children and seniors, can be greatly assisted through early detection and intervention;

AND WHEREAS dental hygiene is the 6th largest regulated health profession in Canada, with more than 34,000 dental hygienists working in a variety of settings, with people of all ages, addressing issues related to oral health.

AND WHEREAS greater awareness of proper oral health practices and the need to regularly visit a dental professional is paramount to ensuring Canadians lead healthier and happier lives.

AND WHEREAS promoting the importance of the issues and celebrating the successes of the profession and contributions of dental hygienists will lead to increased public awareness

NOW THEREFORE, I _____,
(name)

_____ of _____, do hereby proclaim the
(title) (city/riding)

week of April 4–10 as:

National Dental Hygienists Week™

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, _____
(city) (day) (month) (year)

Guidelines for Proclamation Requests*:

- Requests are to be submitted at least four (4) weeks prior to the date for which the proclamation is requested.
- Requests must provide background information about the organization, cause or event being proclaimed
- Requests must relate to an organization, cause or event that contributes to the economic, social, and cultural fabric of the Town of Shelburne
- Proclamations are issued at the discretion of the Mayor and Council
- An organization (i.e. requestor/recipient) may request one proclamation per year
- Proclamations are issued only to recognized local and regional organizations and not to individuals
- Organizations do not have exclusive rights to the day, week or month being proclaimed
- Proclamations of a similar topic will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis
- All proclamation text is subject to approval and modification by the Town of Shelburne
- The Town of Shelburne will not pay for advertising costs involved in the issuance of proclamations

*The guidelines for proclamation requests are under review.

**I confirm I have read the guidelines for
proclamation requests ***

Yes

Are there any other details you would like us to know about your request?

Light up the city hall purple.

Received

Thank you Brittney Sander for completing the Proclamation and Flag Raising Request Form.

We will review the information you've provided.

Any questions should be directed to the Director of Legislative Services/Clerk at clerk@shelburne.ca.