MAYORAL PROCLAMATION TEMPLATE

WHEREAS, 24 million Canadians give their time through formal or informal types of volunteering, contributing close to 5 billion volunteer hours per year; and

WHEREAS, volunteers in (your city or town) mentor our children, support those feeling isolated, beautify our green spaces, and fundraise for our charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, volunteers in (your city or town) have stepped up during the COVID-19 pandemic to support families, friends, neighbours, and strangers, people standing up to systemic racism, and people sharing insights on how to create a more just and equitable society; and

WHEREAS, (your city or town)’s volunteers are individuals, families, workers, retirees, community members of all ages and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the collective result of the work done by our city’s volunteers is that (your city or town) is a more desirable place to live; and

WHEREAS, (insert information about the different roles played by volunteers in your community); and

WHEREAS, organizations in (your city or town) that rely on volunteers include such fundamental organizations as (insert the names of the festivals, hospitals, community centres or any other volunteer involving organizations that are most relevant to your community); and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, (mayor’s name), Mayor of (your city or town), do hereby proclaim April 24-30, 2022, as National Volunteer Week, and urge my fellow citizens to recognize the crucial role played by volunteers in our community.