THE CITY OF WINDSOR
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DREW DILKENS, DBA
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

"International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
November 25, 2026

WHEREAS: November is Woman Abuse Prevention Month and November 25th is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women; and,

WHEREAS: violence is the greatest gender inequality rights issue for women, girls and gender-diverse individuals. Our community is committed to ending femicide and all forms of gender-based violence; and,

WHEREAS: Femicide rates are on the rise in Ontario, with over 18 femicides in Ontario since November 25th, 2025; and,

WHEREAS: 37 different cities and towns in Ontario had a femicide occur in their community last year; and,

WHEREAS: Indigenous, Black, South Asian and Southeast Asian women and girls continue to experience high rates of violence, including femicide; and,

WHEREAS: men's violence has taken the lives of women and girls across the lifespan with femicide victims in the 2024/25 femicide list ranging between the ages of 20 years old to 83 years old; and,

WHEREAS: this month and throughout the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, we acknowledge our community's support of the Wrapped in Courage campaign and commitment to ending gender-based violence; and,

WHEREAS: there is an urgent need for greater investment and action to end gender-based violence in our community and throughout Ontario by all three levels of Government; and,

WHEREAS: a Wrapped in Courage Campaign flag will be raised during Woman Abuse Prevention Month in recognition that the courage of a woman alone is not enough, it takes an entire community to end gender-based violence;

THEREFORE: I, Drew Dilkens, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

November 25, 2026
"International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women"
in the City of Windsor.

Mayor

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