# PROCLAMATION

## EFry Week

**WHEREAS:** EFry Week highlights programs, services and advocacy in support of women, girls and children who are at risk or involved in the legal system.

EFry Week honours Elizabeth Fry, the 18th century British prison reformer who championed humane treatment, education and dignity for incarcerated women and their children. Her advocacy led to major prison reforms across Europe. She was also instrumental in establishing volunteer prison visiting programs, and community shelters and supports for women and children leaving custody. Today, EFry Hope and Help for Women in Brampton continues her legacy.

EFry Hope and Help for Women celebrates brighter futures while supporting vulnerable women and children through its spectrum of programs, services and advocacy. Shining a light on the programs and services EFry offers, and sharing stories of how its clients have transformed their lives to create positive futures for themselves and their families, highlights how the right supports create opportunities that change lives and strengthen our community.

Raising awareness of the positive impact of EFry's gender-focused supports celebrates the resilience of women and demonstrates the power of new beginnings.

**THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim May 3 – 9, 2026, as “EFry Week” in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton