

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Thursday, January 28, 2021



**FLAGS LOWERED TO HONOUR THOSE LOST TO COVID-19**

**Welland, ON** – Welland Mayor Frank Campion has today directed that Flags at Welland Civic Square and other municipal facilities be lowered to half mast in recognition of those who have perished due to COVID-19 and as an expression of sympathy to their families and friends.

Mayor Campion commented on behalf of the city and Welland City Council, “We mourn the significant number of members of our community, the region, and everywhere who have tragically lost their lives due to COVID-19. The lowering of the flags is also a reminder that we all share a responsibility to stop the spread of this deadly pandemic that has taken such a devastating toll. We can collectively save lives and ultimately end the pandemic by following the rules. The number of lives lost and the speed at which they are being lost, particularly in our seniors’ population, is unacceptable so we must act now.”

The stay at home order was issued as of January 14, 2021 at 12:01 a.m. for all of Ontario. Before going out, ask yourself if you must do so and avoid all unnecessary travel. By working together, getting everyone vaccinated and supporting our frontline workers we will succeed.

For further information, visit <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/zones-and-restrictions>.

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