

August 4, 2026

434 (Niagara Peninsula) Wing
Royal Canadian Air Force Association
152 Thorold Road, Unit 508
Welland, ON L3C 6N3

Attention: Bill Heron (Chair)

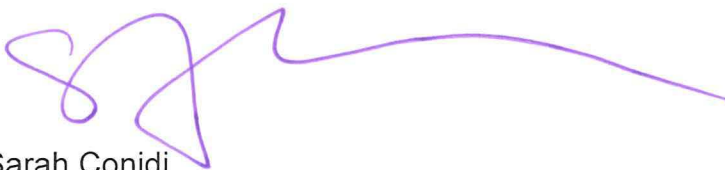
Dear Bill,

In response to your request, I am pleased to advise that in accordance with City Policy, the week of September 13, 2026 to September 20, 2026 will be declared as **"Commemoration of the Battle of Britain Week 2026"** in the City of Welland.

As per your email, I am enclosing an official declaration signed by Mayor Campion, for your use and information.

There has also been a flag raising ceremony arranged with the Mayor's Executive Assistant, Theresa Ettorre for Friday, September 11, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. at the Civic Square with the Mayor in attendance. Please note that you will need to bring the flag with you on the day of the event, or it can be dropped off in advance.

Yours truly,



Sarah Conidi
Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Enclosure

c.c.: - Mayor and Council
- Communications
- Media
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DECLARATION

"COMMEMORATION OF THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN WEEK"

- WHEREAS,** *the week of September 13 to September 20, 2026, has been designated as Commemoration of The Battle of Britain Week, and in recognition thereof, communities across Canada are actively participating in this event; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the Commemoration of The Battle of Britain pays honour to the gallant airmen and all who assisted them in their resistance to the Nazi 1940 aerial incursions, and*
- WHEREAS,** *those persons included many Canadian volunteers, and*
- WHEREAS,** *those who flew the Hurricane and Spitfire airplanes engaged in aerial defense against tremendous odds, to their mortal peril on every flight, and*
- WHEREAS,** *the words that were chosen by the then Prime Minister of Britain, Winston Churchill, to describe the valour of those pilots must never be forgotten: "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few"*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK CAMPION,

Mayor of the City of Welland

do hereby declare

the week of September 13 to September 20, 2026

as

"Commemoration of the Battle of Britain Week"

in the City of Welland, and encourage all citizens to pause and reflect on the words of that famous Prime Minister and to consider what this world would have been like if those brave participants had not given their all in that fateful time

Mayor's Office
September 2026



Frank Campion
MAYOR