

Brantford Walkability Proclamation!

Whereas: *The City of Brantford has declared October as Walking Month in Brantford;*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford has been declared the Number One “Best Walking City” in Ontario (and Fourth best in Canada by the Canadian Federation of Podiatric Medicine);*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford has hosted two International Walkability Roadshow events;*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford has established a Walkability Task Force;*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford can boast of over 60.5 KM of well-groomed, connected trails;*

Whereas: *The Brantford Active and Safe Routes to School program has more that 68% of it’s schools participate in International Walk to School Day (iWalk);*

Whereas: *The Brantford ASRTS program has piloted a “Signed Walking Routes” program for two of it’s schools and will expand the pilot to include three more schools this fall;*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford has this year completed its first “Walking Bridge” over a major highway thoroughfare;*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford City Council has unanimously signed the “International Charter for Walking” (as have the City of Brantford Parks and Recreation Department, The City of Brantford Multi-Use Trails Committee as well as the Healthy Living Coalition);*

Whereas: *The City of Brantford currently holds the Guinness World Record for the number of people stilt-walking;*

Whereas: *The newly unveiled “Downtown Re-Development Master Plan” for the City of Brantford embraces the concept of a walkable community;*

Whereas: *The new West Brant community development plan calls for a “completely walkable community;”*

Whereas: *More than 4000 Brantford citizens participated in the 2007 World Record Walk event;*

We Hereby Proclaim that the City of Brantford Ontario is indeed,

“THE WALKING CAPITAL OF CANADA”