



Peel Children's Charter of Rights

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To: Members of Peel Regional Council
10 Peel Centre Dr.
Brampton, Ontario

Request for Endorsement and Support

In 1989, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child. This important initiative addresses the rights of all children, as indicated in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, "the child, by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth".

To give children a voice and raise awareness of children's rights, Success By 6 Peel has worked with children of all ages, community representatives, school boards and daycares to create the **Peel Children's Charter of Rights**. This credo In Peel Region, the Peel Children's Charter of Rights will enable greater understanding of the tremendous value of children and their fundamental rights, creating a better quality of life for children.

Success By 6 Peel respectfully requests that Peel Regional Council accepts and endorses the Peel Children's Charter of Rights and:

1. As part of conducting the business of the Region, that the question, "What impact will this have on our children?" be asked, before any and all decisions are finalized.
2. Declare November 20 as Peel Region's Day of the Child.
3. Advocate for the Peel Children's Charter of Rights and assist in communicating these rights to the citizens of Peel Region.
4. Support the rights by inviting a Success By 6 Peel member agency to highlight one right, each month, at Regional Council meetings.
5. Work with Success By 6 Peel to develop a regionally focused action plan to support and advance children's rights. Integrate regional staff in the Peel Children's Charter of Rights Committee to provide a strong link and consistent communication with Regional Council.

Signed on behalf of the Members of Success By 6 Peel

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