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Denis Kelly
Regional Clerk
The Regional Municipality of York
17250 Yonge Street
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RE: Request to recognize October 2016 as "Toastmasters Month"

Dear Mr. Kelly,

I am writing on behalf of TROY Toastmasters Club to request that York Regional Council at its September 22, 2016 meeting recognize and proclaim October 2016 as "Toastmasters Month".

Toastmasters International is a non-profit organization that helps individuals become effective communicators and leaders. The organization provides a platform that enables its members to improve communication skills by practicing speeches and receiving feedbacks in a safe and supportive learning environment. Toastmasters members are also empowered to develop or enhance their leadership skills. There are currently more than 332,000 members and 15,400 clubs in 135 countries.

TROY Toastmasters, a club for York Regional employees, was established about 10 years ago. The club has helped numerous Regional employees become better communicator and leaders. Members are provided opportunities to sharpen presentation and leadership skills, enhance listening skills, practice time management skills, and learn to conduct effective meetings and boost team coordination.

Thank you for your considering of this request.

Sincerely,

Kim Chen
Vice President, Public Relations
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