



## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

### PROCLAMATION

#### **Infertility Awareness Week – April 23-29, 2023**

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, 1 in 8 couples have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and

WHEREAS, infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or socioeconomic level; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community also faces challenges when building their families; and

WHEREAS, all people challenged in their family building journey should have access to all family building options; and

WHEREAS, family building options include adoption and medical treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and

WHEREAS, cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in the City of Milton to access the family building option they need; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milton joins RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by participating in this promotion.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anissa Welch, Mayor of the City of Milton, do hereby proclaim April 23-29, 2023 as National Infertility Awareness Week.

Signed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023

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Mayor Anissa M. Welch

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Jenny Salvo, City Clerk