



# Town of Arnprior

## Proclamation

November 1 – 8, 2017 as:

### “Carbon Monoxide Awareness”

**Whereas** Bill 77, An Act to proclaim Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week and to amend the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 to provide safety requirements related to the presence of unsafe levels of carbon monoxide on premises, received Royal Assent on December 12, 2013; and

**Whereas** the Act, which has the short name Hawkins Gignac Act (Carbon Monoxide Safety), 2013, provides for the regulation of carbon monoxide (CO) alarms through amendments to the Fire Code and proclaims the week beginning November 1 as Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week; and

**Whereas** Carbon monoxide is often referred to as the silent killer because it is a colourless, odourless and tasteless gas; and

**Whereas** the Act is named in honour of the Hawkins family – Laurie, Richard and their children Cassandra and Jordan – who were tragically killed by carbon monoxide poisoning in their Woodstock home; and

**Whereas** each year carbon monoxide poisoning proves fatal for many Canadians, and makes many more sick with what they think is the flu; and

**Whereas** increasing awareness of the importance of having functioning carbon monoxide detectors can help save lives; and

**Whereas** this November the Town of Arnprior Fire Prevention/Protection Office will be increasing awareness of carbon monoxide hazards at home, school and work; and

**Therefore**, I David Reid, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim November 1 – 8, 2017 as “Carbon Monoxide Week” in the Town of Arnprior and urge all residents to participate in the outreach activities planned by the Fire Prevention/Protection Office to highlight the simple steps all residents can take to avoid personal tragedy.

  
Deputy Mayor Tom Burnette, Town of Arnprior

October 23, 2017  
Dated