



PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- Whereas** September marks the official launch of the 2025–2026 United Way Halton & Hamilton fundraising campaign, rallying individuals, businesses, and community leaders to come together in support of our region’s most pressing needs; and
- Whereas** this year’s campaign theme, **“United in ACTION”**, is a call to stand shoulder to shoulder in the face of growing challenges, transforming compassion into impact and showing up for those who need us most; and
- Whereas** United Way plays a critical role in supporting local individuals and families impacted by poverty, food insecurity, isolation, gender-based violence, mental health issues, and housing instability; and
- Whereas** thanks to the generosity of donors and the strength of our community, United Way Halton & Hamilton funded 76 local agencies and 124 programs in the past year, supporting over 226,500+ people across the region; and
- Whereas** the needs in our community continue to rise, with 50% of funded programs reporting waitlists and service providers under pressure to meet growing demand, making support from all sectors more vital than ever; and
- Whereas** we recognize United Way’s leadership in bringing together people, resources, and organizations to create lasting, local change and to ensure that no one is left behind. We encourage all residents, workplaces, and organizations to take action and support this essential community campaign.
- Therefore** I, Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor of the City of Burlington do hereby proclaim **October 2025** as

“Support United Way Month”

in the City of Burlington and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

Mayor Marianne Meed Ward

Dated this 16th day of September 2025

