



PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- Whereas** The Royal Canadian Naval white Ensign is raised in tribute to all members of the Royal Canadian Navy both past and present who served or are serving Canada in bringing peace to the world; and
- Whereas** we honour those who served aboard the ships of the Royal Canadian Navy and the Merchant Navy during the Battle of the Atlantic during World War II; and
- Whereas** Canadian Naval and Merchant navies played a significant role in the success of the Battle of the Atlantic by providing the transportation of goods and supplies necessary to help the citizens of the British Isles survive as well as bring a successful conclusion and Victory in Europe; and
- Whereas** this year marks the 81st Anniversary of the end of the Battle of the Atlantic. It was the longest battle of the entire war lasting 6 years and cost the lives of 36,200 sailors from all nations and 36,000 Merchant Seamen. This total included 2,210 casualties from the Canadian Navy along with 1,700 from the Merchant Navy.
- Therefore** I, Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby honour those who gave their lives in Naval Service to Canada as well as those who also served and are still serving in the Royal Canadian Navy by proclaiming **May 1st - May 8th, 2026** as

“Canadian Navy Week”

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

Mayor Marianne Meed Ward

Dated this 21st day of April 2026

