



Proclamation

Access Awareness Week

May 31-June 6 2026

WHEREAS the week of May 31-June 6 2026 is recognized as Access Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS Access Awareness Week aims to celebrate achievements made both by and for persons with disabilities in the areas of accessibility, transportation, housing, employment, recreation, education and communication; and

WHEREAS this is the 40th year that this public awareness initiative has taken place in Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS the theme for 2026 Access Awareness Week is *Disability Justice: Stronger Together. First Voice Leading Change for Collective Action*; and

WHEREAS accessibility barriers are many and interconnected, removing and preventing them is challenging and complex; and

WHEREAS the foundation of Nova Scotia's Accessibility Act is to provide, support, and protect the rights of persons with disabilities to full inclusion and accessibility by the identification, prevention, and removal of accessibility barriers; and

WHEREAS Access Awareness Week promotes the inclusion of all Nova Scotians with disabilities as full citizens within our communities; and

WHEREAS through public awareness, community partnerships, and education, this campaign aims to foster an environment of equal participation for persons with disabilities within the town of Amherst.

BE IT RESOLVED, THEREFORE, that I, Rob Small, Mayor of Amherst, proclaim May 31-June 6 2026 as *Access Awareness Week* in the town of Amherst.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob Small".

Rob Small

Mayor

Town of Amherst

