Dear Mayor and Council,

Your city joined over 100 communities and 4 provinces across Canada in proclaiming and endorsing **June 1st as Intergenerational Day Canada** in 2013. Thank you for making a powerful statement about the value of intergenerational relations within your community. As the numbers of cities and provinces acknowledging this focus day grows, the more vibrantly the message is heard across the nation. With that in mind, we are requesting your Proclamation of **June 1st Intergenerational Day 2014**

This 5th Intergenerational Day Canada

* Reminds people of the importance of simple and respectful connecting between generations.

* Raises awareness of the many benefits inter-generational connecting brings to education, health and community safety.

Respectful and purposeful inter-generational connecting is a way to prevent isolation and mistreatment of older and younger generations. It effectively creates safer and more resilient communities. By breaking down ageism, we build all-age-friendly neighborhoods.

A Proclamation (attached e.g., Victoria, BC) will encourage those within your community already involved in inter-generational activities to share and celebrate. As well, our organization will invite and assist others within your jurisdiction to build bridges of understanding between age groups. We will provide ideas on our website and through local media, and assist citizens in networking their ideas. There is no financial or other commitment requested from you. This is an awareness initiative only.

If your community would like to participate in any way, contact us, or check out the ideas for IG Day Canada at [www.intergenerational.ca](http://www.intergenerational.ca).

Thank you for your 2013 proclamation and we look forward to continued support. Please consider working towards a stronger Canada by Proclaiming **June 1st officially as Intergenerational Day Canada** in 2014.

Sincerely,

Sharon MacKenzie, Executive Director
i2i Intergenerational Society of Canada

*Intergenerational Day Canada is acknowledged in the following government publications:

- PHAC document- Across the Generations—Respect All Ages

See below: template-example of Proclamation

(ON OFFICIAL COUNCIL STATIONERY)
PROCLAMATION

INTERGENERATIONAL DAY CANADA
JUNE 1st

WHEREAS Intergenerational Day Canada, June 1st, is meant to raise awareness about the simplicity and power of intergenerational connections

WHEREAS Intergenerational Day Canada, June 1st is a day to focus on the profound positive influence intergenerational connecting has in creating healthy, all-age friendly communities

WHEREAS Intergenerational Day Canada, June 1st is a day to celebrate all of the good things presently taking place between generations in local community

WHEREAS Intergenerational Day Canada, June 1st does not require funding, excessive time or extensive planning

WHEREAS Intergenerational Day Canada, June 1st will have its greatest strength as a reminder, an invitation for every individual to take one small respectful step to bridge generations within his or her local community. (How much effort and time does it take to smile at someone from a different generation...with such huge sustainable return?)

AND NOW THEREFORE, we, the Mayor and Council, do hereby proclaim the day of

June 1st

as

"Intergenerational Day Canada"

in the town/city of ________________

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand this the (date)___________________

Signed____________________________ (City Seal)