WHEREAS the City of Hamilton is a host municipality of the TORONTO 2015 Pan American/Parapan American Games.

The TORONTO 2015 Pan American/Parapan American Games will bring more than 10,000 athletes and officials from 41 countries to Ontario and involve more than 17,000 volunteers. The Games will be held in venues across the Greater Golden Horseshoe, showcasing our region on the international stage and attracting thousands of visitors to our municipality.

The TORONTO 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games will use the power of sport to engage Ontario's diverse communities, inspire children and youth and transform our neighbourhoods through legacy facilities and programs.

Pan Am/Parapan Am Day will officially begin the countdown to the TORONTO 2015 Pan American Games kicking off on July 10, 2015, and ignite the excitement and anticipation of the Games throughout our municipality.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Bob Bratina, on behalf of Hamilton Council, do hereby proclaim July 10, 2013, as Pan Am/Parapan Am Day in the City of Hamilton to celebrate this spectacular sporting event coming to our municipality in two years.