PROCLAMATION

Bill Davis Day

WHEREAS: The Honourable William ("Bill") Grenville Davis, PC, CC, OOnt, QC, was born on this day in 1929.

Mr. Davis will be remembered by many as the 18th Premier of Ontario who served for 13 years, from 1971 to 1985. Prior to this, Mr. Davis served as a Member of Provincial Parliament for the Riding of Peel, from 1959 to 1967, and the Riding of Peel North, from 1967 to 1975.

Under his leadership, Mr. Davis established Ontario's College System, the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education and four new universities in our province: York, Laurentian, Brock and Trent. He also created the TVOntario Network and was steadfast in a commitment to save the French School Board System, and extend public funding for the Catholic School Board System to the end of high school.

In November 2019, Mr. Davis was presented Brampton's Key to the City, a symbolic honour that a municipality bestows upon a highly-valued member of the community, who has made an impact on the lives of our residents. Mr. Davis, affectionately known as Brampton Bill, was our most beloved resident in Brampton, Ontario's most successful Premier and the definition of decency. His legacy is one of profound accomplishment.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim July 30, 2024 as "Bill Davis Day" in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton