

March 25, 2020

Cahl Pominville
Director of Corporate Services and Clerk
Municipality of North Grenville
285 County Road #44
Kemptville, ON K0G 1J0

Re: Request to declare June 2020 KDH Month

Dear Mr. Pominville:

A momentous day occurred in Kemptville on the sixth day of October, 1954. The Province of Ontario provided the Letters Patent that incorporated Kemptville District Hospital (KDH). They stated,

“Lloyd George Coleman, Veterinarian, Francis George Wallace, Plant Manager, Oswald Fenwick Beamish, Physician and Surgeon and William Bryden George, Extension Specialist, all of the Village of Kemptville, in the County of Grenville and Province of Ontario; and Stanley James Sanderson, Cheese Distributor, constituting them and any others who become members of the Corporation, hereby created a corporation without share capital under the name of

Kemptville District Hospital

To establish, construct and operate a public hospital...”

From incorporation to shovels in the ground, great effort was expended to raise the funds to build the hospital. Individuals, businesses and service clubs contributed generously and, along with financial support from local and provincial governments, the hospital became a reality.

KDH triumphantly opened its doors on June 29, 1960. 2,000 visitors poured into the building to take guided tours on that celebrated day.

This is the hospital the community built and continues to generously support through dollars, volunteer service and governance. Through the years, KDH has provided comfort and a safe harbour from harm, disease, injury and even the great Canadian Ice Storm of January 1998. It continues to evolve to meet the community's needs with expanding surgical programs,

specialized clinics and an increasing focus beyond its walls, building and facilitating partnerships to improve the coordination and integration of care.

We hereby request that **June 2020** be declared **Kemptville District Hospital Month** in honour of its 60th Anniversary.

Thank you.

Lynne Clifford-Ward
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