

# *Proclamation*

## **Respiratory Therapist Week**

**October 25 – 31, 2020**

WHEREAS Respiratory Therapist Week recognizes the important work done by respiratory therapists in evaluating, treating and maintaining cardiopulmonary functions.

Respiratory therapists are certified medical professionals who specialize in critical care and airway management and work closely with doctors to diagnose and monitor cardiopulmonary problems.

Most respiratory therapists work in high-risk areas of hospitals including intensive care units, extended care facilities, operating rooms and laboratories, treating respiratory related conditions often working under extreme and challenging conditions.

Respiratory therapists are on the frontlines during the COVID-19 pandemic and are an important part of the team helping to treat people and save lives. Today is an opportunity to honour them and thank them for their dedication, compassion and hard work in saving lives and keeping us safe during these challenging times.

The City of Toronto recognizes their contributions in making our city stronger, safer and healthy.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor John Tory, on behalf of Toronto City Council, do hereby proclaim **October 25 – 31, 2020** as "**Respiratory Therapist Week**" in the City of Toronto.



John Tory  
Mayor of Toronto

