

Mayor Frank Scarpetti City of Markham 101 Town Centre Blvd. Markham L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpetti:

MAR 17 2009

Re: National Day of Mourning

Since 1991, April 28th has been recognized nationally as the Day of Mourning.

I am writing to ask that the City of Markham commemorate this National Day. The Labour Council is requesting that the Town:

- 1. Officially proclaim Tuesday, April 28th as a "Day of Mourning for workers killed or injured on the job".
- 2. Publicize the proclamation as widely as possible.
- 3. Lower the City's flags to half-mast.

Yours truly,

John Cartwright

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Dear Mayor Frank Scarpitti,

As you may know, National Volunteer Week is fast approaching and what better way to recognize volunteers than to celebrate the thousands of community coaches in the province. April 18 through to the 26th has been designated as **Ontario Coaches Week** - an initiative launched by the Coaches Association of Ontario in 2006 with the support of both the Province of Ontario and the Federal Government.

The goal of the week is to help bring quality sport programs to thousands of children by inspiring more Ontarians to take up coaching as their volunteer activity. Good coaches can positively influence a child's self-confidence and attitude toward sport and fitness and health as a lifelong pursuit.

During Ontario Coaches Week, over 1,000 men and women will be attending *FREE* clinics and workshops across Ontario to develop their skills and learn more about coaching young people and becoming a better coach. This program was designed to recruit all young and old into coaching - grandmothers and grandfathers, young people, teachers, and more women. Coaching workshops will be held in over 30 different communities from Kincardine to Cornwall, Port Colborne to Petrolia.

As we celebrate Ontario Coaches Week, we ask every community to join us in celebrating all of Ontario's MANY coaches who dedicate hours to help build teams, develop sport skills, and make us proud as we celebrate athletic accomplishments.

There are a number of ways for your community to get involved:

- PROCLAIM, DECLARE, or DESIGNATE "Coaches Week" in your town or community, in your clubs, and schools
- Write an article recognizing the hours and dedication of a role model coach. Call the local newspaper or radio station and get it published. Let local media know coaches have their own week in Ontario.
- Nominate a coach for an award by contacting a <u>Provincial Sport Organization</u> and find out about their award process. Submit a nomination for <u>Ontario's Coach-of-the-Month.</u> Create your own community coach recognition award.
- Buy your coach breakfast during Ontario Coaches Week or just say "Thanks Coach!"

I hope your community will join us in our efforts. For more information about Ontario Coaches Week or the Coaches Association of Ontario, please visit us online at www.coachesontario.ca or phone us directly at (416) 426-7086, toll free 1-888-NCCP-ONT.

Yours in Coaching,

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Chair, Coaches Association of Ontario





