



PORT COLBORNE

May 9, 2023

Moved by Councillor
Seconded by Councillor

WHEREAS the 700+ museums, art galleries, and heritage sites across Ontario are key assets to education, employment, economic development, tourism, culture, and equity; and

WHEREAS museums support the ability of Ontario municipalities to attract skilled workers in all sectors, including a workforce of museum professionals and volunteers; and

WHEREAS this month provides an opportunity to recognize the vital role museums play in helping to achieve recovery and rebuilding across Ontario. Museums are local tourism assets, which welcome visitors in every community across the province; and

WHEREAS these museums are community hubs, providing access to the benefits of culture, heritage, and local vitality. As trusted public institutions, museums are valuable resources for education and learning; and

WHEREAS May 18th, 2023 is International Museum Day to highlight museums as key contributors to the wellbeing and to the sustainable development of our communities, making them vibrant and vital places to live, work, visit and invest.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor, William C. Steele, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as “**May is Museum Month**” in Port Colborne and encourage all residents and tourists to visit our local museums in May.

William C. Steele
Mayor