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Declaration of Kindness

May 8, 2025.

TOWN OF ROSS

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Whereas, the Town of Ross values the principles of kindness, compassion, and respect for all individuals; and

Whereas, we recognize the power of inclusion in creating a vibrant, healthy, and harmonious community where every person—regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, ability, or background—feels valued, heard, and supported; and

Whereas, we recognize the unique contributions of all residents, including those with disabilities, and strive to ensure that every individual, regardless of differences, has the opportunity to thrive; and

Whereas, we believe that a community built on kindness and inclusion strengthens our collective spirit and enhances our ability to thrive together.

Now, therefore, the Town of Ross, through the leadership of its governing body, does hereby declare its commitment to:

1. Promoting kindness and compassion in all interactions within our community, ensuring that every individual feels valued and included;
2. Celebrating diversity and ensuring equal opportunities for all members, regardless of their backgrounds or identities;
3. Creating safe spaces for open dialogue, empathy, and understanding among all residents;
4. Encouraging the active participation of all individuals in shaping the future of our town;
5. Standing against discrimination, prejudice, and hate in all forms.

We call upon all residents, businesses, and community organizations of Ross to join us in this declaration, to act with kindness in their daily lives, and to create a community where inclusion, respect, and support are offered to all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Ross to be affixed this 8th day of May, Two Thousand and Twenty-five.

Julie McMillan, Mayor