



# THE CITY OF WINDSOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DREW DILKENS, DBA  
MAYOR

## PROCLAMATION

### "EMANCIPATION DAY"

**AUGUST 1, 2019**

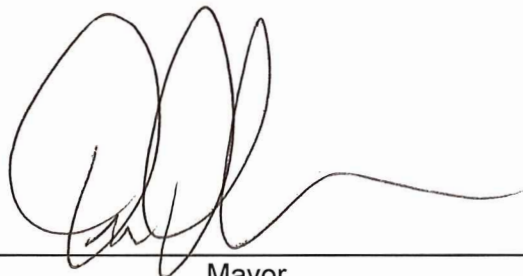
**WHEREAS:** August 1, 1834 was the date that slavery was abolished throughout the British Colonies by King William IV pursuant to the Slavery Abolition Act of 1833; and

**WHEREAS:** Within fifteen years of the abolition of slavery, between 35,000 and 40,000 Black settlers made their way to Ontario, in large part, by the Underground Railroad into Southwestern Ontario; and

**THEREFORE:** As a demonstration of our respect for human liberty and freedom and in recognition of the richness of the culture and history brought to Ontario by African Canadians, I, Drew Dilkens, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

**AUGUST 1, 2019**  
**"EMANCIPATION DAY"**

in the City of Windsor.

  
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Mayor