

WHEREAS, in the face of crime or conflict, restorative justice offers a philosophy and approach that views these matters principally as harm done to people and relationships; and

WHEREAS, restorative justice approaches strive to provide support and opportunities for the voluntary participation and communication between those affected by crime and conflict (victims, offenders, community) to encourage accountability, reparation and a movement towards understanding, feelings of satisfaction, healing and a sense of closure; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for Restorative Justice Week is "Diverse Needs; Unique Responses", it is an opportunity to learn about restorative justice, educate and celebrate along with other communities across the country during the week.

THEREFORE, I,	MAYOR JOHN RUTTAN	, do hereby
	(Title and Name),	
proclaim November 18	- November 25, 2012 as Restorative Justice	Week in the
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(type of municipality)	(name of municipality)	

