

95th Anniversary of the Holland Marsh Dredge

September 15, 2020

- WHEREAS:** 95 years ago today, dredging started for the excavation of the canals, taking the first step in the five-year process of creating the Holland Marsh we know today; and
- WHEREAS:** the plan proposed and executed by Dave Watson, W.S. Fraser and Professor William H. Day is responsible for enabling this area to become Canada's Vegetable Garden; and
- WHEREAS:** the fertile soil of the Holland Marsh has continued to attract settlers from all parts of the world, providing them with a home and a livelihood. Today, the Marsh is a community of 125 farms on 7,000 acres of some of the richest farmland in Ontario; and
- WHEREAS:** the Holland Marsh produces an estimated \$105 million in farmgate value of horticultural crops, and an additional \$80 million is added in value before the crops leave the Holland Marsh through storing, packing and processing activities.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**
That His Worship Mayor Rob Keffer and Members of Council proclaim September 15, 2020 as 95th Anniversary of the start of the Holland Marsh drainage project in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FLAG RAISING

The flag raising will take place on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.
in front of the BWG Courthouse at 57 Holland Street East