Bill 74

(Chapter 29 of the Statutes of Ontario, 2017)

An Act to proclaim the Trans Day of Remembrance

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Preamble
Trans people in Ontario face not only indifference, prejudice and hatred, but also anti-trans violence.

By proclaiming November 20 in each year as the Trans Day of Remembrance, the Province of Ontario publicly mourns and honours the lives of those who might otherwise be forgotten and gives trans people and their allies a chance to stand together in vigil. The Trans Day of Remembrance is an opportunity to raise public awareness of hate crimes committed against trans people.

By observing a moment of silence, we express our respect for trans people in the face of indifference, prejudice and hatred and memorialize those who have died as a result of anti-trans violence.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

Trans Day of Remembrance
1 November 20 in each year is proclaimed as the Trans Day of Remembrance.

Moment of silence
2 (1) At 10:29 a.m. on each Trans Day of Remembrance, the members of the Assembly shall pause and observe one minute of silence in honour of trans people who have died as a result of anti-trans violence.

Same
(2) If the Assembly is not sitting on November 20, the members shall pause and observe the moment of silence at 10:29 a.m. on the next Thursday that the Assembly is sitting.

Commencement
3 This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

Short title
4 The short title of this Act is the Trans Day of Remembrance Act, 2017.

EXPLANATORY NOTE
This Explanatory Note was written as a reader’s aid to Bill 74 and does not form part of the law.

Bill 74 has been enacted as Chapter 29 of the Statutes of Ontario, 2017.

The Bill proclaims November 20 in each year as the Trans Day of Remembrance. The Bill requires the members of the Legislative Assembly to observe a moment of silence in honour of trans people who have died as a result of anti-trans violence.