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Canada flag to fly at half-mast on April 28 in recognition of the National Day of Mourning, moment of silence to be observed

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Friday, April 26, 2024—The Canada flag will be flying at half-mast at Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) in recognition of the National Day of Mourning on Sunday, April 28. Additionally, a moment of silence will be held hospital-wide.

Established by the Canadian Labour Congress in 1984, the National Day of Mourning honours and remembers individuals injured, killed, or made ill as the result of a workplace-related accident or hazard, including the many families, friends, and colleagues also affected by these tragedies.

"Every year on April 28, we reflect, remember, and honour the many Canadians who—as a result of work-related accidents—were injured or lost their lives," said Lola Obomighie, Vice President of People, Culture and Organizational Effectiveness. "The National Day of Mourning is also a call to action and reminder of our shared responsibility to minimize any and all risks from workplace hazards. NHH continues to prioritize and implement the high possible standards for mental and physical health, safety, and wellbeing, while always remaining open to how we can enhance and evolve current practices to meet the ever-changing landscape of health care."

For more information, please see the websites of the <u>Canadian Centre of</u> <u>Occupational Health and Safety</u> and <u>Workers Health and Safety Centre of Ontario</u>.

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About Northumberland Hills Hospital – Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, NHH delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, obstetrical care and palliative care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care and rehabilitation. Mental health care, cancer and supportive care, dialysis and other ambulatory care clinics are offered on an outpatient basis through partnerships with regional centres and nearby specialists. NHH offers a full range of diagnostic services, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT) and mammography. The hospital serves the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 63,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope, Alderville First Nation and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs more than 700 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians, midwives and volunteers. NHH is an active member of Ontario Health (East)—formerly the Central East Local Health Integration Network—and the Ontario Health Team of Northumberland. For more information, please visit nhh.ca or follow us on Facebook @northumberlandhillshosp, X/Twitter @NorHillsHosp, and LinkedIn Northumberland Hills Hospital