Wrongful Conviction Day
October 2, 2020

Whereas the loss of one’s freedom due to a wrongful conviction has far-reaching effects. It affects the innocent person’s quality of life as well as the quality of life for their family members and has a harmful effect on society as a whole; and

Whereas Innocence Canada is a national, non-profit organization dedicated to identifying, advocating for and assisting individuals convicted of a crime they did not commit. It seeks to prevent such injustices in the future through legal education and reforms to the justice system;

Therefore, I, Mayor Bryan Paterson, for the City of Kingston, Ontario, proclaim October 2, 2020 to be “Wrongful Conviction Day” in the City of Kingston.

Dated at Kingston this 16th day of June 2020.

Bryan Paterson
Mayor