

May 2022

**North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority
50th Anniversary Celebration Month**

WHEREAS: the Municipality of East Ferris recognizes the important social, environmental and economic value of healthy watersheds to our residents, visitors, businesses and eco-tourists; and

WHEREAS: the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority is a community-based, environmental organization which has been providing leadership in watershed management to the Municipality of East Ferris and our neighbouring municipalities since 1972; and

WHEREAS: the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority plays a crucial role in supporting science-based decision making in watershed planning, development, resource management, flood forecasting, drinking water source protection, water quality monitoring, conservation land management, stewardship and education; and

WHEREAS: the Municipality of East Ferris recognizes, appreciates and values the expertise, advice and leadership of the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority in balancing human needs with the needs of the natural environment on a watershed basis;

WHEREAS: the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority recognizes that protecting and conserving our watershed relies on collaboration and cooperation with individuals, organizations, and communities and is celebrating its 50th anniversary by recognizing others who are “watershed heroes”; and

THEREFORE, in honour of the 50th Anniversary of the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority and NBMCA’s contributions to the social, economic and environmental well being of the Municipality of East Ferris Mayor and Council do hereby proclaim May as North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority 50th Anniversary Celebration Month.