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Vegreville Council thanks residents for their resilience as TELUS Candle turns off

As Vegreville and much of the Province transitions to our new normal, Town Council has decided it is time to turn off the TELUS Candle. June 26, 2020, will be the last evening that the TELUS Candle will illuminate Vegreville's sky until the holiday season.

Mayor Tim MacPhee said, "Council and I initially lit the Candle back in April as a beacon of hope and to show our gratitude for frontline workers. Since then, the Candle has remained lit, each night acting as a reminder to residents that we are all in this together. Now that the Province has entered stage two of their relaunch plan and with our long summer evenings, we feel that the Candle's job is complete. Vegreville residents have risen to the occasion by helping each other, spreading kindness, and supporting our local economy. We're not out of the woods yet, we'll be feeling the effects of the pandemic for quite some time, but I'm confident that Vegreville will continue to make it through these tough times together, as we always have."

To learn about Vegreville's Municipal Relaunch Plan, please visit www.vegreville.com/covid-19.

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Background: On April 7, 2020, during the beginning weeks of the pandemic, the Town of Vegreville hosted the Lights of Hope Parade, an incredible demonstration of hope and support. The parade, comprised of over thirty emergency response vehicles, worked its way through Vegreville's streets, lifting spirits and bringing much-needed joy into resident's homes. The parade concluded at the TELUS Tower, where the TELUS Candle was lit for a triumphant finale.

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