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## PROCLAMATION

Mayor G. Krantz and Members of Milton Council do hereby proclaim the period of October 30th to November 11th, 1992 as **Remembrance Week** in the Town of Milton.

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Members of Milton Council**

## Local 'yes' vote gratifying for group

By **DIANE HART**  
Special to *The Champion*

It was a sombre singing of the national anthem inside the headquarters of the Oakville-Milton Yes Committee as supporters saw the Constitutional Accord fail across the country.

But the Yes vote for Oakville-Milton was gratifying, in part, to co-chair of the Yes Committee Judy Alexander.

"We've had great participation here with the canvassing and everything and most did it out of a feeling of patriotism," she said. "We prevailed here so we've done our job."

"I'm disappointed, but I take some comfort in the huge education effect. Everybody has been talking and learning and that's a really good

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thing for Canada," said Judy Alexander, who believed the "disaffection" with politicians was the overriding factor in the 'no' vote for the country.

And as the large television monitor continued to show thumbs down to the Accord across Canada those at the Oakville headquarters cut a red and white Yes Canada cake. "What's a party without a cake?" commented one Yes supporter attempting to lighten the sombre tone of the place.

Later, speaking to the small glum

crowd at headquarters on Lakeshore Road, Judy Alexander said it wasn't time for long faces. "There's a lot to be proud of locally and a lot across the country."

For Halton Centre Liberal MPP Barbara Sullivan, the vote was a telling indication of voters true interest — the economy.

"People basically said right across the country that leaders should concentrate on the economy and not the Constitution," said Judy Sullivan.

However, she said people in the Oakville-Milton riding worked nobly and were selfless in their time placed into the Yes Committee work. "It's disappointing when those views (of Oakville-Milton) are not shared across the country," she added.

## Reform pleased

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However, he noted that the implications of the referendum in the federal elections are many. Foremost among them is that every established politician is going to be at risk. Dr. Somersall thought they have become so detached and removed from the people that they completely mis-read those who elected them. And, despite their efforts in organizing mega advertising campaigns they were unable to win people to their side.

Dr. Somersall said he was not pessimistic about the country's future, although he admitted it might undergo a period of uncertainty. Certainly, it would not fall apart. However, he was "distressed" that those voting No might be perceived as "a bunch of people who didn't know who they were or what they were doing."

"If everybody says the 'No' vote is a whole bunch of incongruous and dissident voices, the same thing is true of the 'Yes' camp," he noted. "People voted for the Accord for a whole set of reasons: They were fed up with the Constitution or they voted against Judy Rebick or someone else on the 'No' side."

However, the Reform candidate maintained the referendum's planning and timing was all wrong. The people of Canada should have voted after Quebec's plebiscite, not before. As it was, they voted in a vacuum without knowing how Quebec feels about the rest of the country.

Dr. Somersall said Parti Quebecois leader Jacques Parizeau now has fodder for his separatist cannons. He can now say Canadians voted against Quebec and, in doing so, will probably pick up many strong votes in his province.

Dr. Somersall said yesterday's results didn't come as a surprise to him. On recent travels, he saw many signs western Canada would reject the Accord and Quebec was almost a foregone conclusion.

Being a conservative town, Oakville did "as expected" by voting 'Yes' but he was surprised by Ontario's strong 'No' vote since he envisaged the province as the strongest voice for stability and the status quo.

## Life expanding seminar Friday

A healthier lifestyle will be promoted at a free seminar by Dr. Alan Russell Paul MD sponsored by Grace Baptist Church.

Dr. Paul's presentation 'Adding Life to Your Years and Years to Your Life' will be at the Hornby Community Centre, Steeles Avenue and Trafalgar Road Friday, Oct. 30 at 7 p.m.

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