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### Take A Walk, Read A Book and Discover Downtown

Belleville, Ontario, May 25, 2021 - The bear's hat is gone, and he wants it back. You can help him find it during the month of June in Downtown Belleville by participating in the StoryWalk®!

A StoryWalk® is an outdoor reading experience where a children's book is deconstructed and the pages of the book are placed in different locations for families to follow a trail and finish the book.

During the month of June, pages from the book *I Want My Hat Back* by Jon Klassen will be displayed in the windows of 13 downtown businesses. Starting at the Belleville Public Library, participants will be guided by a walking map to read the book one page - and one storefront - at a time.

"This is a great opportunity for families to get out of the house, come downtown and read a book while discovering all downtown has to offer," says Luisa Sorrentino, BIA Executive Director. "It is so important to stay connected as families and a community while staying active."

The story will be available for all of June and the event requires no registration or fee! You can obtain your own walking map beginning June 1 by visiting the library in person or going to [www.bellevillelibrary.ca/storywalk](http://www.bellevillelibrary.ca/storywalk).

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