



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
OF WOOD BUFFALO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## *PROCLAMATION*

- WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is committed to diversity and inclusion and recognizes that the freedom to observe and practice one's religion, individual conviction, faith, or beliefs without fear is a fundamental right, recognized under the Canadian Bill of Rights;
- WHEREAS** Ramadan is the ninth lunar month of the Islamic calendar and marks a month-long spiritual journey of fasting and prayer for Muslims;
- WHEREAS** Ramadan is a spiritual time of reflection and renewal that reinforces patience, perseverance, gratitude, compassion, forgiveness, and love;
- WHEREAS** Ramadan is a time to remember the less fortunate and engage in generous acts of charity for those afflicted by hunger, poverty, disease, and conflict;
- WHEREAS** at Ramadan, families, and communities come together in celebration and worship, demonstrating the rich and diverse traditions of Muslim societies and cultures;
- WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is home to almost 10,000 Muslims and appreciates the many contributions of the Muslim community;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Don Scott, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **April 14, 2021**, as:

### **"THE BEGINNING OF RAMADAN 2021"**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunder set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo in Fort McMurray, Alberta, this **13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021**.

**Don Scott, QC**  
**Mayor**

