



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF WOOD BUFFALO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** optimal nutrition is vital in the early months and years of life and is fundamental to the prosperity and livelihood of our community; and
- WHEREAS** breastmilk is one of the most readily available, sustainable and cost-effective prevention strategies in protecting mothers and children against a variety of infections and many chronic and acute diseases and, ultimately, in decreasing the burden on our healthcare system; and
- WHEREAS** breastfeeding provides a safe, reliable, secure source of infant and young child nutrition during natural disasters and emergency situations; and
- WHEREAS** World Breastfeeding Week is a time to recognize the importance of providing support and encouragement to breastfeeding families in our community; and
- WHEREAS** the theme for World Breastfeeding Week 2021 “*Protecting Breastfeeding, A Shared Responsibility,*” recognizes that support from families, friends, partners, healthcare providers, and the community is key to encouraging a breastfeeding-friendly culture in Wood Buffalo.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Don Scott, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **October 1 - 7, 2021**, as:

“BREASTFEEDING WEEK”

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 **1st day of October 2021**.


Don Scott, QC
Mayor

