



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF WOOD BUFFALO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Human Rights Day is observed every year on December 10th as a commemoration of the day on which, in 1948, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

WHEREAS in 1950, the Assembly passed resolution 423 (V), inviting all States and interested organizations to observe December 10th of each year as Human Rights Day; and

WHEREAS the human rights principles are enshrined in the Canadian Immigration and Refugee Protection Act of 2001 which grants the full protection and maximum social, cultural and economic benefits to immigration and refugees; and

WHEREAS these principles acknowledge that discrimination targets individuals and groups that are vulnerable to attack: the disabled, women and girls, the poor, refugees, immigrants, minorities, and all those who are perceived as different. However, these victims of discrimination are not alone; and

WHEREAS individuals, institutions and social profits come together to recommit to the principle that, all persons are equal in dignity, rights and responsibilities without regard to race, religious beliefs, colour, gender identity, physical disability, age, ancestry, place of origin, sexual orientation or otherwise.

THEREFORE NOW, I, Don Scott, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim December 12, 2017:

“Human Rights Day: Our Rights, Our Freedoms”

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 **5th day of December 2017**.

Don Scott, QC
Mayor

