



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
OF WOOD BUFFALO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## *PROCLAMATION*

**WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is committed to building a community which strengthens and fosters mutual understanding among different faiths, cultures and peoples; and

**WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo 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; and

**WHEREAS** the United Nations General Assembly recognizes the need to build mutual understanding and interreligious dialogue and establishes World Interfaith Harmony Week as a way to promote harmony between all people regardless of their faith; and

**WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo promotes harmony between peoples of diverse faiths and non-faith, acknowledges discrimination faced by residents due to their religious beliefs, and recognizes the diverse needs of its residents; and

**WHEREAS** the Collaboration for Religious Inclusion continues to foster inclusion and understanding by working together, increasing knowledge of diverse faith and non-faith groups, and promoting unity in the region.

**THEREFORE NOW**, I, Don Scott, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **February 1<sup>st</sup> to February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019** to be:

### **"United Nations Interfaith Harmony Week"**

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, 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 **January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019**.

Don Scott, QC  
Mayor

