



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF WOOD BUFFALO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** Transgender Awareness Week is observed annually from November 13-19 across Alberta and in Canada, recognizing, supporting, and honouring the transgender community, while bringing attention to the stories and experiences of transgender people; and
- WHEREAS** this week-long observance leads to the Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20, an annual day of remembrance for those who have lost their lives due to acts of transphobic violence and systemic oppression; and
- WHEREAS** at least two transgender youth have died by suicide in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, showing there is more work to be done in creating a safe and welcoming community; and
- WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is committed to building a welcoming and inclusive community for all residents; and
- WHEREAS** Wood Buffalo Pride is recognized for its efforts in raising awareness, demonstrating values of equity and inclusion, and for encouraging a region where everyone can safely enjoy and celebrate who they are.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Sandy Bowman, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **November 13 to 20, 2025** as:

TRANSGENDER AWARENESS WEEK & DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

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 **13th day of November 2025**.

Sandy Bowman
Mayor

