

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS World Theatre Day is celebrated every year on March 27, as designated by the International Theatre Institute in 1961; and

WHEREAS World Theatre Day celebrates the essence, beauty, and importance of theatre arts, its significant role in entertainment, the symbolic impact that theatre has on life, and the ability theatre has to build community and connection; and

WHEREAS World Theatre Day serves to inform governments, institutions, and stakeholders around the world about the value of theatre to the people and its potential to advance social prosperity and economic growth; and

WHEREAS theatre helps to promote social discourse, dialogue and social change as a cultural phenomenon that demands that society examines itself; and

**WHEREAS** the region has a thriving and dynamic theatre arts community and values the opportunity for self-expression, exploration, and connection.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Sandy Bowman, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **March 27, 2024**, as:

## **WORLD THEATRE DAY**

**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 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

Sandy Bowman

Mayor