

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the welfare and well-being of children is of paramount importance;

and

WHEREAS child abuse, in all its forms, is a grave violation of the rights and

dignity of children, and has lasting detrimental effects on their

development; and

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of all community members to recognize the

signs of abuse, support and protect vulnerable children, and work

collectively towards preventing abuse before it occurs; and

WHEREAS dedicated individuals, organizations, and agencies in the region strive

tirelessly to raise awareness, provide support to affected families,

and foster a safer environment for children; and

WHEREAS by dedicating a month to the cause of child abuse awareness and

prevention, we emphasize our commitment to creating a safer community for all children, while encouraging engagement and

education on this critical issue.

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

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

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 **first day of October 2024**.

Sandy Bowman

Mayor

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