

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS small businesses help form the heart of our community, driving innovation,

strengthening local identity, and fostering opportunities for growth and

success; and

WHEREAS local entrepreneurs and small business owners contribute to

the quality of life in the region by offering diverse products, services, and

employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS Small Business Week serves as a time to recognize the dedication,

creativity, and perseverance of those who invest their talents and resources

into building a stronger and more resilient economy; and

WHEREAS the prosperity of our region depends on a thriving small business sector,

supported through collaboration, advocacy, and the ongoing commitment

of residents and community partners; and

WHEREAS the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo reaffirms its dedication to

cultivating an environment where small businesses can flourish, ensuring

that their positive impact is felt for generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Sandy Bowman, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **October 19 to October 25, 2025**, as:

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

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 **19**th day of October **2025**.

Sandy Bowman

Mayor

