



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF WOOD BUFFALO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is home to the first community health centre in Alberta to achieve an internationally recognized Baby-Friendly Designation; and
- WHEREAS** this designation highlights the region's understanding of the importance of optimal nutrition in the early months and years of life, and how it is fundamental for community health and well-being; and
- WHEREAS** enabling families that choose to breastfeed is beneficial for several reasons, and it is integral we work alongside the community to support breastfeeding in public spaces at all times; and
- WHEREAS** National Breastfeeding Week is recognized across Canada every year during the first week of October, and is a time to acknowledge the role we all can play in encouraging breastfeeding families in the region; and
- WHEREAS** this year's theme is *Closing the Gap: Breastfeeding Support For All*.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Sandy Bowman, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **October 1-7, 2024**, as:

NATIONAL BREASTFEEDING 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 **17th day of September 2024**.


Sandy Bowman
Mayor

