



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF **WOOD BUFFALO**

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** small businesses are fundamental to the local economy, and are representative of our innovation, entrepreneurship and resolve; and
- WHEREAS** small businesses provide essential goods, services, and employment opportunities, contributing to our economic vibrancy and diversity; and
- WHEREAS** Small Business Week is an opportunity to celebrate the hard work, dedication, and achievements of local entrepreneurs, small business owners and workers who drive the region's growth and prosperity; and
- WHEREAS** it is important to enable small businesses through education, advocacy, and by providing resources to help ensure their sustainability and success; and
- WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is committed to creating an environment where small businesses thrive, benefiting from the support of residents and community organizations; and
- WHEREAS** during Small Business Week, we encourage everyone to recognize the small businesses that contribute to the prosperity and well-being of the region.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Sandy Bowman, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **October 20 to October 26, 2024**, 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 **20th day of October 2024**.

Sandy Bowman
Mayor

