

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS the welfare and well-being of children is of critical 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

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 2025**, 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 2025.** 

Sandy Bowman

Mayor