

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The disease of addiction in its various forms holds no discrimination and impacts the lives of many people as well as creates a tremendous burden to individuals, families and communities in the City of Red Deer; WHEREAS: Many persons with addiction have been reluctant to declare openly and without need for explanation that they are living in recovery; and WHEREAS: Our community shall show public support for those in recovery and those in need of recovery to enable and maintain a positive community future; WHEREAS: All individuals, no matter the addiction, shall be supported, understood and shown there is hope for recovery and each individual shall know an opportunity for life and recovery; WHEREAS: So many thousands of steadfast and courageous citizens over the years have acknowledged their crippling dependencies and moved on to lives of recovery; WHEREAS: These brave souls have discovered and truly learned that honesty and sobriety are the key to a full return to citizenship all support each other hand in hand to eradicate any stigma and show only love and support; WHEREAS: The "Red Deer Recovery Days Association" is formally recognizing

## NOW THEREFORE,

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, hereby recognize the City of Red Deer as a community where persons in recovery are treated with the dignity, respect, and support they need to be free of their addictions.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Official Seal of The City of Red Deer, Alberta, to be affixed.

"Celebrating Recovery Day" on September 16, 2023.

Mayor Ken Johnston



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