

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS	the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (RMWB) recognizes that the health, safety and well-being of all animals is vital; and
WHEREAS	companion animals play an important role in the lives of RMWB residents; and
WHEREAS	the RMWB endorses harsh penalties against animal cruelty so that anyone proven responsible for harming an animal will be subject to those penalties; and
WHEREAS	the prevention of cruelty to animals is a matter of humanity not just a matter of legislation; and
WHEREAS	by working together and sharing information on how to prevent, recognize and report signs of animal abuse, we can help protect all animals from abuse and neglect; and
WHEREAS	awareness of the connection between animal abuse and human violence can help protect those who are vulnerable.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Don Scott, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **April 25, 2021,** as:

"ANIMAL ABUSE PREVENTION DAY"

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 13th day of April 2021.

Don Scott, QC Mayor