

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS each year National AccessAbility Week (NAAW) promotes accessibility and

inclusion across communities and workplaces and celebrates the contributions of Canadians with disabilities, and recognizes the efforts of Canadians who are

actively removing barriers to participation, and

WHEREAS by bringing residents together to recognize the valuable contributions of persons

with disabilities, we strengthen the spirit of collaboration needed to create a

country that is fully accessible and inclusive, and

WHEREAS increasing the social and economic inclusion of persons with disabilities has

positive economic and social benefits for persons with disabilities, as well as

businesses, the economy and society in general, and

WHEREAS accessibility and inclusion are essential for ensuring that all community

members have access to opportunities and the ability to fully participate in

community life, and

WHEREAS accessibility must be part of all aspects of community life—physical, social, and

economic, including employment, transportation, recreation, and housing, and.

WHEREAS the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is committed to accessibility and

believes that an inclusive Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo is one where all

residents, including those living with varying abilities, can participate and have

an equal opportunity to succeed in their workplaces and communities.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Don Scott, Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, do hereby proclaim **May 31 to June 6, 2021,** as:

"NATIONAL ACCESSABILITY 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 25 day of May 2021.

Don Scott, QC Mayor