



**NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK
JULY 18 TO 24, 2021**

WHEREAS the mission of the Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in Alberta is one too many; and

WHEREAS most drownings are preventable in a Water Smart community, and only through Water Smart education and a healthy respect for the potential danger that any body of water may present can we genuinely enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of the Town of Okotoks to supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to always wear a lifejacket when boating, and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society of Canada has declared July 18 to 24, 2021 National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

THEREFORE I, Matt Rockley, Deputy Mayor of the Town of Okotoks, do hereby proclaim July 18 to 24, 2021 as National Drowning Prevention Week in the Town of Okotoks and do commend its thoughtful recognition to all citizens of our Town.

Dated this 14th day of June 2021

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Matt Rockley
Deputy Mayor