



Proclamation

Welcoming Week 2026
September 10-19, 2026

WHEREAS the Town of Okotoks is a community that values diversity, inclusion, and a sense of belonging for all residents;

WHEREAS Welcoming Week is an annual opportunity for communities across Canada and around the world to celebrate the contributions of newcomers and to build stronger connections between all residents;

WHEREAS the Town of Okotoks recognizes that fostering a welcoming environment for all, including immigrants and refugees, helps to create a more inclusive, vibrant, and prosperous community;

WHEREAS local organizations, libraries, schools, and community groups play an important role in promoting mutual respect, intercultural understanding, and civic participation;

WHEREAS the celebration of Welcoming Week encourages dialogue, community engagement, and recognition of the shared values that unite us as Canadians;

NOW THEREFORE Members of the Okotoks Town Council, do hereby proclaim **September 10 to 19, 2026**, as **Welcoming Week** in the Town of Okotoks, and encourage all residents to join in activities and initiatives that celebrate diversity, promote inclusion, and strengthen community bonds.

DATED this 17th day of August 2026.

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