

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms gives everyone equal rights "without discrimination and, in particular without discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability"
- WHEREAS In 21st Century Canadian society, racism and acts of hatred have no place in any of our provinces, territories, regions, towns and cities and Canadians must come together to call all acts of racism and hatred; yet there has been a dramatic surge in incidents of racism across Canada, particularly instances of anti-Asian racism across Canada
- WHEREAS According to Statistics Canada Police-reported hate crimes against East and South East Asians has increased 301% in 2020. Stand With Asians Coalition (SWAC) brings allies together, across our country to raise awareness and to combat anti-Asian racism by calling out racism where it occurs each and every time,
- WHEREAS Aiming to maintain our values as inclusive and racially diverse Canadians, we support the Stand With Asians Coalition to build a stronger, more inclusive society where everyone can feel safe, happy and healthy;

NOW THEREFORE

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, together with SWAC to declare May 10, 2022, to be Day of Action Against Anti-Asian Racism

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

Ken Johnston

Mayor