

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS** Deafblindness is a unique disability that incorporates the loss of both sight and hearing. Individuals who are deafblind can live full, meaningful lives as independently as possible with the right supports in place, such as intervenor services; and
- **WHEREAS** National Deafblind Awareness Committee support community partners and individuals who are deafblind to increase their independence and improve their quality of life through specialized services; and
- WHEREAS Everyone is encouraged to help promote deafblindness by attending an awareness event and proclaiming June as National Deafblind Awareness Month in your community and checking out the calendar of events at www.deafblindnetworkontario.com that includes flag raisings and lighting up of local landmarks in communities across Canada; and
- **WHEREAS** June should be designated as National Deafblind Awareness Month to recognize and celebrate the contributions that individuals who are deafblind make in their communities with the support of intervenors who serve as a bridge to communication for individuals who are deafblind;

NOW THEREFORE

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, do hereby proclaim June 2022 as National Deafblind Awareness Month.

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

