



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Red Deer and Area Metis Cultural Dance Troupe recognizes “Louis Riel Day” November 16, 2022 as a National Metis Holiday as of 1992 in commemoration of the 137th anniversary of the death of Louis Riel; and

WHEREAS: In addition to recognizing Louis Riel Day on November 16, the Métis Nation of Alberta (MNA) has declared the week surrounding November 16 as “Métis Week”; and

WHEREAS: The Metis culture, rich in spiritual beliefs and colourful traditions, is an integral part of Red Deer's multicultural character; and

WHEREAS: Throughout history, Metis citizens have made significant contributions to the development and success of our area as the first settlers; and

WHEREAS: Louis Riel devoted and sacrificed his life defending the rights of Métis and people. Riel’s legacy continues to resonate across the homeland.

NOW THEREFORE,

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of The City of Red Deer, do hereby proclaim November 16, 2022 as LOUIS RIEL DAY & METIS WEEK in Red Deer, and I encourage all citizens to take this opportunity to learn more about the important role the Metis people have played in the history of our City, Province and Country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Red Deer, Alberta, to be affixed.



Mayor Ken Johnston
City of Red Deer

