

## THE LONGEST DAY OF SMILES® PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS** Operation Smile Canada is a global medical charity providing free, life-changing surgeries and medical care to children born with cleft conditions around the world; and

WHEREAS Every 3 minutes, a child is born with a cleft condition, and lack of access to safe, effective surgery means that easily treatable conditions like cleft lip and cleft palate can become fatal. Operation Smile Canada believes every child born with a cleft condition deserves exceptional surgical care; and

WHEREAS The Longest Day of SMILES® will unite Canadians from coast to coast to coast as they raise awareness and funds to support this important cause. To learn more visit www.longestdayofsmiles.ca; and

WHEREAS On June 18th, 2023, the community of Red Deer is encouraged to celebrate the Longest day of SMILES® by sharing #longestdayofsmiles on social media; and

## **NOW THEREFORE**

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of The City of Red Deer, do hereby proclaim June 18th, 2023, as The Longest Day of SMILES® and commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

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

Mayor Ken Johnston City of Red Deer

