

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS** World Lymphedema Awareness Day was founded to educate, promote awareness and provide support for lymphedema patients, their families and the medical community.
- WHEREAS Lymphedema is a progressive inflammatory disease that causes lymphatic fluid to accumulate in the legs, arms, genitals, torso, head or neck. It can cause chronic swelling and lead to discomfort, pain, disfigurement or disability;
- **WHEREAS** Lymphedema may be caused by genetic factors or result from surgery, radiation, infection or trauma;
- WHEREAS Since 2006, the Alberta Lymphedema Association has worked with Alberta Health Services to improve services for Albertans living with lymphedema; AND
- WHEREAS The Alberta Lymphedema Association supports and advocates on behalf of Albertans living with lymphedema. The association also educates health providers and the public about this condition;

NOW THEREFORE

I, Ken Johnston, Mayor of the City of Red Deer, hereby officially recognize the efforts of the Alberta Lymphedema Association to raise awareness and provide support for the affected families as well as the health providers.

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

Mayor Ker Johnston The City of Red Deer

