



NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the mission of the Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in Alberta is one too many; and

WHEREAS most drownings are preventable in a Water Smart community, and only through Water Smart education and a healthy respect for the potential danger that any body of water may present can we truly enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of Medicine Hat, Alberta to supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to wear a Personal Flotation Device or lifejacket at all times when boating; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 19-25, 2020 National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Ted Clugston do hereby proclaim July 19 - 25, 2020 **NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK** in Medicine Hat, Alberta and do commend its thoughtful recognition to all citizens of our city.

Ted Clugston, Mayor