

Proclamation

July 14, 2020

Whereas, the mission of the Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in Sturgeon County 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 Sturgeon County, 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 life jacket 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, I, Alanna Hnatiw, Mayor of Sturgeon County, do hereby proclaim **July 19–25, 2020 National Drowning Prevention Week** in Sturgeon County and urge residents to be *Water Smart* all year round.

Alanna Hnatiw Mayor, Sturgeon County

