

# OFFICE OF THE MAYOR PROCLAMATION

## NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK July 18 - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**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 genuinely enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

**WHEREAS:** the Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 18 - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year; and

**WHEREAS:** the City of Grande Prairie urges all Canadians and residents of the Peace Region to supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to always wear a lifejacket when boating.

**NOW, THEREFORE** I, Jackie Clayton, Mayor of the City of Grande Prairie, do hereby proclaim July 18-24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as " **NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK** " in the City of Grande Prairie.

  
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Mayor Jackie Clayton

