



DECLARATION

WHEREAS: Every year in Canada, more than 450 people die in water-related incidents. Many drownings are preventable tragedies;

AND WHEREAS: Alcohol consumption is a factor in nearly 40 per cent of boating-related fatalities. Both alcohol and cannabis impair judgment, reflexes and balance;

AND WHEREAS: When participating in water-based activities, it is critical to supervise children and wear a lifejacket. Learning to swim before joining these activities is also important;

AND WHEREAS: The Lifesaving Society of Alberta and NWT, provincial experts in drowning prevention, offer information and programs to help Albertans stay safe in the water;

THEREFORE: THE HONOURABLE TYLER SHANDRO IS PROUD TO DECLARE THAT JULY 18 TO 24 IS NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK IN ALBERTA.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tyler Shandro".

The Honourable Tyler Shandro, Q.C.
Minister of Health

