
REPORT NAME

Proclamations for National Day of Mourning, Safety and Health week, and Mental Health week

RECOMMENDATION

That Leduc County council approve the proclamations for the National Day of Mourning, Safety and Health week, and Mental Health week.

IMPLICATIONS

Reason: n/a

Authority: (MGA section/bylaw/policy number): n/a

Amount of funding required: n/a

Funding source: n/a

BACKGROUND

Leduc County would like to acknowledge, through proclamation, the following:

- 1) National Day of Mourning: April 28 is set aside to pause and take a moment to remember those that have either been injured or killed due to a workplace incident. It is also a day to collectively renew our commitment to improve health and safety in the workplace and prevent further injuries, illness, and deaths. In 1983 the day of remembrance was launched by the Canadian Labour Congress. Eight years later the Parliament of Canada passed the Workers Mourning Day Act making April 28 an official Day of Mourning.
- 2) Safety and Health Week: formerly referred to as the North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) week, was established in 1996 and recognized by Canada, the United States and Mexico. It is set to begin on the first Monday of May. It is an opportunity for organizations across all north American countries to focus on the health and safety of their workers, regardless of the industry. The name was recently changed to be more inclusive to countries outside of North America.
- 3) Mental Health Week: every year since 1951, the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) has hosted Mental Health Week in the first full week in May, making 2023 the 72nd year. Mental Health Week is a Canadian tradition, with communities, schools and workplaces rallying to celebrate, protect and promote mental health.

ATTACHMENTS

1. National Day of Mourning Proclamation
2. Safety and Health Week Proclamation
3. Mental Health Week Proclamation

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