



# PROCLAMATION

## FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION MONTH

### November 2023

- WHEREAS: family violence affects individuals, families and communities in Alberta; and,
- WHEREAS: abuse crosses all barriers and includes emotional, physical, psychological, sexual and/or financial,
- WHEREAS: victims of family violence are of all ages and genders, women, children and youth, older persons and persons with disabilities, and members of the LGBTQS+ community may be more vulnerable when there is family violence; and,
- WHEREAS: abuse in relationships that are intimate has been identified as one of the most relevant issues affecting the quality of family and community life today; and,
- WHEREAS: family violence is a prevalent and detrimental issue that affects the well-being of many citizens of Alberta; and,
- NOW THEREFORE: I, Jered Serben, Reeve, of Smoky Lake County do hereby proclaim November 2023, as Family Violence Prevention Month throughout Smoky Lake County and urge our residents to learn more about family violence and how to support family violence prevention efforts in our community.



Smoky Lake County Reeve