

## **PROCLAMATION**

## **CANADIAN RIVER'S DAY**

June 15, 2025

WHEREAS: on June 21, 2002, Minister of Canadian Heritage Sheila Copps, signed a Ministerial

Proclamation to declare that the second Sunday of June would be celebrated

annually as Canadian Rivers Day; and

WHEREAS: the Canadian Heritage Rivers System (CHRS) helps recognize, conserve, and share

in the storytelling of outstanding rivers that are an enduring part of our national

heritage and identity; and

WHEREAS: from coast to coast to coast, Canadian Heritage Rivers offer visitors a chance to

experience great waterways, learn about their rich history, and share in their

stewardship; and

WHEREAS: fresh water is essential to life on earth, Canada being bestowed with more than one-

fifth of the world's supply; and

WHEREAS: rivers are a vital element of Canada's natural environment and Canadians' cultural

heritage, as well as being the lifelines to healthy oceans, forests, and communities;

and

WHEREAS: rivers are living threads of history that connect our communities and bind our country,

representing an enduring spirit of adventure, discovery, and connectivity.

NOW THEREFORE: I, Reeve, Jered Serben of Smoky Lake County, hereby proclaim June 15, 2025 to be

Canadian River's Day in Smoky Lake County.

Smoky Lake County Reeve