

College des travailleurs sociaux de l'Alberta

TOGETHER... THE COURAGE FOR CHANGE

February 19, 2020

City of Cold Lake 5513 – 48 Avenue Cold Lake, AB T9M 1A1

Dear Mayor Copeland;

The Cold Lake/Bonnyville/St. Paul Area Coordinators of the Alberta College of Social Workers are requesting your proclamation of Social Work Week in Alberta: March 1-7, 2020. This year's theme is: *United by Diversity Strengthened by Inclusion*.

As social workers we strive to build on the strengths and resiliency of individuals and communities. Our profession's Code of Ethic highlights our values of the pursuit of social justice in addition to the respect and dignity of all peoples. We advocate for equal treatment and pursue equitable access to resources in order to empower those we serve.

Your support in proclaiming Social Work Week means a lot to the dedicated social workers who provide valuable services to the citizens of the Lakeland Region.

The goals of Social Work Week include:

- Educating the public about the wide range of roles social workers perform
- Heightening the professional profile of Registered Social Workers (RSWs)
- Encouraging organizations who employ RSWs and the communities that benefit from their efforts, to celebrate the role and contribution of RSWs by hosting a variety of events.

Please feel free to contact Lyla Allan (<u>lyla.allan@portagecollege.ca</u>) or Diane Gillan (<u>dianelgillan@gmail.com</u>) Area Coordinator for further information. We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Alberta College of Social Worker Area Coordinator