

PROCLAMATION

International Day of Persons with Disabilities December 3, 2021

WHEREAS, December 3, 2021 is International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD), a day focused on increasing awareness of the barriers, understanding the issues and supporting the dignity, rights and respect of persons with disabilities. In recognition of IDPD, we aim to increase awareness and facilitate discussions about Accessibility, Disability, and the importance of fair access to services.

WHEREAS, the City of Cold Lake acknowledges that persons with disabilities make a major contribution to the economic and social pulse of Alberta.

WHEREAS, the City of Cold Lake recognizes the strides persons with disabilities have made in every aspect of political, social, economic and cultural life.

WHEREAS, the City of Cold Lake benefits when persons with disabilities are included in school, work and community activities.

WHEREAS, not all disabilities are visible; accordingly, the City of Cold Lake strives to raise awareness and understanding of disabilities that are not immediately apparent, such as mental illness, chronic pain or fatigue, sight or hearing impairments, diabetes, brain injuries, neurological disorders, learning differences and cognitive dysfunctions, among others.

WHEREAS, on December 3, individuals and organizations throughout Cold Lake and district will focus on raising awareness of persons with disabilities and their contributions.

NOW THEREFORE, I Craig Copeland, Mayor of the City of Cold Lake, do hereby proclaim December 3, 2021 as

"International Day of Persons with Disabilities"

in the City of Cold Lake.

Craig Copeland, Mayor Dated this 23rd day of November, 2021