



CHESTERMERE

From the Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

March 2nd - 8th 2020 International Women's Day/ Week

Chestermere welcomes all community members to share in this event, celebrating the achievements of all individuals who identify as women and female. Together, we celebrate women all around the globe.

WHEREAS: International Women's Day has occurred for well over a century, with the first IWD gathering in 1911 supported by over a million people in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland. Prior to this the Socialist Party of America, United Kingdom's Suffragists and Suffragettes, and further groups campaigned for women's equality. Today, IWD belongs to all groups collectively everywhere and

WHEREAS: International Women's Day/Week is a time to uphold women's achievements, recognize challenges, focus greater attention on women's rights and gender equity, encourage and mobilize all people to do their part to bring about positive change; and

WHEREAS: International Women's Day/Week is a time to envision a world where each woman and girl can exercise her choices, such as participating in politics, getting an education, having an income, and living in societies free from violence and discrimination.

WHEREAS: The City of Chestermere is an inclusive community which celebrates and welcomes diversity and inclusion, and

WHEREAS: Celebrating International Women's Day/ Month in Chestermere will strengthen our community and bring us closer together, fostering new relationships, understandings and a new and equal level of appreciation for each other.

WHEREAS: We, are proud to be the reflection of our community in our efforts to uphold this year's theme, **Each for Equal**

NOW THEREFORE, I, Marshall Chalmers, Mayor of the City of Chestermere, do hereby proclaim the week of **March 2nd - 8th 2020** as **International Women's Week** in the City of Chestermere.

Dated this 5th day of MARCH, 2020

Mayor Marshall Chalmers

