

CITY OF KELOWNA

Proclamation

National Drowning Prevention Week

July 20th to July 26th ,2025

WHEREAS

the mission of Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great county, and even one drowning in Kelowna is one too many; and

WHEREAS

most drownings are preventable in a Water Smart community, and only through Water Smart education and a healthy respect for the potential danger that any body of water may present can we genuinely enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS

the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of Kelowna to supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to always wear a lifejacket when boating; and

WHEREAS

the United Nations General Assembly passed the UN Resolution on Drowning Prevention (A/75/L.76) and named July 25th of each year as World Drowning Prevention Day; and

WHEREASLifesaving Society Canada has declared July 20th to July 26th , 2025 National
Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the
hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

THEREFORE I, Tom Dyas, as Mayor of the City of Kelowna, do hereby proclaim July 20th to July 26th, 2025 as

National Drowning Prevention Week

In the City of Kelowna, Province of British Columbia



July 20, 2025

Dated on this day