



PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK July 20 – 26, 2025

- WHEREAS the mission of Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in British Columbia 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 Chetwynd, British Columbia 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
- WHEREAS Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 20 - 26, 2025 National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

NOW, THEREFORE

I, Allen Courtoreille, Mayor of the District of Chetwynd, do hereby proclaim the week of **July 20 – 26, 2025** as “**National Drowning Prevention Week**” in the District of Chetwynd.


Mayor Allen Courtoreille