

# International Women's Day

March 8, 2023

## *Proclamation*

February 28, 2023

**WHEREAS** International Women's Day is celebrated around the world by those who believe in gender equity and who seek to improve the lives of women and girls, Two Spirit, trans, non-binary and gender diverse peoples through cultural, legal, economic, and social change;

**WHEREAS** On the 112th International Women's Day, we celebrate and encourage everyone to understand the difference between equity and equality, where equality means everyone has the same opportunities, and the goal of equity is to change systemic and structural barriers that get in the way of people's ability to thrive;

**WHEREAS** International Women's Day is a time to work toward a world where each woman and girl can exercise her choice, such as participating in politics, getting an education, having an income, and living in societies free from violence and discrimination; and

**WHEREAS** women and people of marginalized genders make a valuable contribution in Sturgeon County as workers, artists, entrepreneurs, caregivers, educators, volunteers, and leaders.

**THEREFORE** I, Alanna Hnatiw, Mayor of Sturgeon County, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 8, 2023, International Women's Day in Sturgeon County. On this day and beyond, I encourage everyone to **#EmbraceEquity** by challenging gender stereotypes, drawing attention to bias, and calling out discrimination.



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**Alanna Hnatiw**  
**Mayor, Sturgeon County**