Black History Month

January 30, 2024

Proclamation

Whereas, Black History Month was recognized by the Government of Canada in the House of Commons in 1995 as a time to honour and highlight the legacy and contributions of Canada's Black and African diasporic communities; and

Whereas, Sturgeon County recognizes and celebrates the significant contributions of Black Canadians in all aspects of daily life, including shaping identity, culture, business, justice, art, sports, and politics; and

Whereas, Black History Month is a time to learn more about the stories, culture, history, and important contributions of Black Canadians to the history and continued growth of Alberta and Sturgeon County; and

Whereas, Sturgeon County is committed to understanding the needs of underrepresented groups in the community; and

Whereas, Sturgeon County, through its Family and Community Support Services department, is developing programming that explores the many different traditions of other cultures from around the world to encourage conversations about our differences and enlighten the next generation.

Therefore, I, Alanna Hnatiw, Mayor of Sturgeon County, do hereby proclaim February 2024 as Black History Month in Sturgeon County.

By recognizing Black History Month, we affirm our commitment to equality, diversity, and inclusion, which are integral to the strength and vitality of our municipality. I urge all residents to celebrate the cultural diversity of our community today and every day.



Alanna Hnatiw Mayor, Sturgeon County