

**NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS the mission of the Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in Alberta 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 truly enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of the Town of Ponoka to actively supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to wear a lifejacket at all times while boating; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 15-21, 2018 National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Rick Bonnett, Mayor, do hereby proclaim July 15-21, 2018 **NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK** in the Town of Ponoka and do commend its thoughtful recognition to all citizens of our municipality.



Rick Bonnett, Mayor

