



First Responders' Day May 1, 2022

WHEREAS courageous and dedicated men and women work to protect and aid the public during emergencies as both professional and volunteer first responders; and

WHEREAS first responders include 911 dispatchers, law enforcement officers, professional and volunteer firefighters, professional and volunteer emergency medical services personnel, emergency management professionals, search and rescue teams and members of other organizations in the public safety sector; and

WHEREAS every day, first responders risk their own safety in the performance of their duties to protect our citizens; and

WHEREAS first responders are the first and best defense against all emergencies that may threaten our community; and

WHEREAS first responders are ready to aid the people 24 hours a day, seven days a week, regardless of inclement weather or other hazards; and

WHEREAS first responders are highly trained, specialized workers who contribute their excellent skills for the public good; and

WHEREAS the members of first responder organizations undergo extensive education and training and make significant personal sacrifices in order to achieve the expertise required to respond to emergency situations; and

WHEREAS in addition to maintaining safety and order in times of crisis, many first responders also enhance their communities as volunteers for service organizations, churches, and schools.

THEREFORE I, Tanya Thorn, Mayor of the Town of Okotoks, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2022 as First Responder's Day in the Town of Okotoks.

Dated this 25th day of April 2022.

Tanya Thorn
Mayor