



## Royal Canadian Mounted Police Day February 1, 2023

**WHEREAS** in 1873 the Parliament of Canada established a police force named the North-West Mounted Police to enforce law in Canada's newly acquired territory in Western Canada;

**WHEREAS** in 1919 the Parliament of Canada voted to form a national police force by merging the North-West Mounted Police and the Dominion Police of Eastern Canada, and on February 1, 1920, the newly formed force was named the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;

**WHEREAS** the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has continued to grow as a police force having jurisdiction in eight provinces and three territories and, through its national police services, offering resources to other Canadian law enforcement agencies;

**WHEREAS** today the scope of services and operations of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Canada has expanded and includes enforcement against organized crime, terrorism, illicit drugs, economic crimes, and offences that threaten the integrity of Canada's national borders;

**WHEREAS** the men and women of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police have given much to our communities in terms of service and sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS** there is a need to recognize and promote awareness of the important history and role of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Alberta.

**THEREFORE** Members of Okotoks Town Council, do hereby proclaim February 1, 2023 as Royal Canadian Mounted Police Day in the Town of Okotoks.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2023.

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