



Proclamation, Lighting or Flag Request at the Municipal Centre

Town of Okotoks Corporate Services

5 Elizabeth Street

Okotoks AB T1S 1K1

Inquiries: Phone 403.938.8900 or cao@okotoks.ca

Please Note: Please ensure your request has come in no less than 10 business days prior to the requested Start Date.

Name of the Requesting Organization *

EATING DISORDER SUPPORT NETWORK OF ALBERTA

Occasion Title *

EATING DISORDERS AWARENESS WEEK

Request Type *

- Proclamation
- Lighting of the Municipal Centre
- Honorary Flag Raising

If requesting a proclamation, the proclamation document must be uploaded below.

Which color(s) did you want to display? *

Please specify the lighting colour(s) your organization is requesting.

Purple

Proclamation Start Date *

2/1/2023

Proclamation End Date *

2/7/2023

Lighting Date *

2/1/2023

Please provide comments to support your request below:

Hi there,

I was hoping to request a proclamation for Eating Disorders Awareness Week as well as the light up of any landmarks in purple, taking place from February 1-7, 2023.

Eating disorders are the second leading cause of death among all psychiatric illnesses and are the third most common cause of death in teenage girls. We know that through open, supportive dialogue, we can help break the shame and silence that affect nearly 1 million Canadians living with a diagnosed eating disorder; and the millions of others who are struggling with unhealthy food and weight preoccupation. Eating Disorders Awareness Week is a time to increase awareness about eating disorders, their impact and to shed light on the dangerous and pervasive myths that surround them. It is a time of year when Canadians can learn more about eating disorders and about the resources that are available for individuals and family members who are impacted by them.

The Eating Disorder Support Network provides information, guidance, a provincial voice, a community hub and most of all, support. We offer professionally-facilitated support groups online for people across Alberta to access. Thanks to ongoing funding, they are able to offer these groups at a very low cost to the participants and can even waive fees if people are experiencing financial difficulty.

EDSNA promotes awareness about eating disorders by hosting Eating Disorders Awareness Week February 1-7, giving presentations to various groups throughout the year, and strengthening relationships between community partners and treatment professionals to create a more effective voice for eating disorders.

Municipal recognition through a proclamation and the lighting of a major landmark and a proclamation for EDAW would help to affirm the experiences of those with a friend, family member, or important person in their life who is dealing with this life-threatening mental illness, and draw attention to the need for eating disorder prevention, research, treatment, and resources.

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Please upload the proclamation document and any other documents or details supporting your request (i.e.: letter from organization, promotional material, etc.). *

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Eating Disorders Awareness Week February 1 – 7, 2023

WHEREAS Eating disorders are the second leading cause of death among all psychiatric illnesses and are the third most common cause of death in teenage girls. We know that through open, supportive dialogue, we can help break the shame and silence that affect nearly 1 million Canadians living with a diagnosed eating disorder; and the millions of others who are struggling with unhealthy food and weight preoccupation. Eating Disorders Awareness Week is a time to increase awareness about eating disorders, their impact and to shed light on the dangerous and pervasive myths that surround them. It is a time of year when Canadians can learn more about eating disorders and about the resources that are available for individuals and family members who are impacted by them; and

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WHEREAS The EDSN of Alberta promotes awareness about eating disorders by hosting Eating Disorders Awareness Week February 1-7, giving presentations to various groups throughout the year, and strengthening relationships between community partners and treatment professionals to create a more effective voice for eating disorders.

THEREFORE Members of Okotoks Town Council, do hereby proclaim February 1 – 7, 2023 as Eating Disorders Awareness Week in the Town of Okotoks.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2023

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