



International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

March 21, 2025

WHEREAS the Town of Okotoks is committed to the belief that equal opportunity and equitable treatment should exist for all people; and

WHEREAS every resident of the Town of Okotoks has the right to realize his or her potential, regardless of race, colour, cultural, or ethnic origin, and live at all times in conditions of dignity, respect, and peace; and

WHEREAS in 1966 the General Assembly of the United Nations designated March 21 as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; and

WHEREAS the elimination of racism and racial discrimination can be accomplished through mutual understanding, acceptance and respect for the dignity of all people and rights of all people; and

WHEREAS the elimination of racism and racial discrimination is the social and moral responsibility of each person.

THEREFORE in support of the belief that everyone should work together to eliminate racial discrimination Members of Okotoks Town Council do hereby proclaim March 21, 2025 as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in the Town of Okotoks.

Dated this 24TH day of February 2025

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Proclamation, Lighting or Flag Request at the Municipal Centre

Community Safety & Organizational Excellence
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 *

Foothills community immigrant services

Occasion Title *

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Request Type *

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

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

Proclamation Start Date *

2025-03-21

Proclamation End Date *

2025-02-21

Please provide comments to support your request below:

On March 21st, 1960, 69 peaceful protesters were gunned down by police in Sharpeville South Africa. This led to the date being designated by the UN and the international community to acknowledge worldwide racial discrimination and to call for its elimination. Please join the international community and add your voice to the call for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Our goal would be to support community members in gaining a better understanding of the impacts of racial discrimination and ideally, to move toward deliberate and coordinated actions to foster safe spaces where frank dialogue will drive meaningful change.

We have acknowledged this important day in the Okotoks community for the last 8 years with an awareness campaign and community events. By making this proclamation once again, the town will show its support for anti-racism throughout our community. Previous proclamation is attached for reference. Thank you.

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State/Province/Region

Okotoks

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Postal/Zip Code

Country



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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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