

Strathcona County

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

WHEREAS older adults are valued members of our community and our society

and deserve to live safely and with dignity; and

WHEREAS abuse of older adults is an ever-increasing issue in our society that

crosses all cultures and socio-economic boundaries; and

WHEREAS most abuse of older adults is hidden; and

WHEREAS through strong inter-generational relationships and community

connections, the social isolation and abuse of older adults can be

broken; and

WHEREAS older adults in Alberta deserve to be treated with respect and dignity

to enable them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important

and active members of this province; and

WHEREAS preventing abuse of older people will help improve the quality of life

and will allow older adults to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of Strathcona County;

and

WHEREAS we are all responsible for building safer communities for Strathcona

County's older adults; and

WHEREAS empowering older adults is an effective tool in preventing their abuse;

and

WHEREAS the 12th Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day provides an

opportunity to promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of

older adults;

NOW THEREFORE I, Mayor Roxanne Carr, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2017 as "World

Elder Abuse Awareness Day" in Strathcona County.

Dated this 6 day of June, 2017.

Signed by Roxanne Carr, Mayor

