


PROCLAMATION

World Suicide Prevention Day

September 10, 2024

- WHEREAS; Many loved ones in our community have been lost to suicide - many through feelings of depression; hopelessness and helplessness; and
- WHEREAS; Many people have been affected by the tragedy of suicide and struggle to reconcile themselves to this type of loss for years; and
- WHEREAS; Suicide is the second leading cause of death amongst our youth; our first nations people have increasingly higher rates on a yearly basis; Indigenous, LGBTQ+ and at-risk youth are at least 4 times more likely to attempt suicide; our seniors and military personnel too often struggle alone; and according to the Mental Health Commission of Canada, nearly 4,000 Canadians die yearly by suicide; and
- WHEREAS; Awareness and education; compassion and understanding are fundamental in the prevention of suicide.
- THEREFORE; I, Simon Boersma, Mayor of the Town of Morinville, do hereby proclaim September 10, 2024 as "World Suicide Prevention Day."



Mayor Simon Boersma

