



# CHESTERMERE

From the Office of the Mayor

## Proclamation Congenital Heart Disease Awareness Week February 7– 14, 2021

Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) is the most common of all birth defects, occurring in about one in every 100 births. Heart defects are present at birth and affect the structure of the heart and how blood flows throughout the heart and body,

**WHEREAS:** More than 50 percent of all children born with CHD will require at least one invasive surgery in their lifetime; and

**WHEREAS:** Survival of children with CHD has greatly improved thanks for advances in medical technology, but for some, CHD means lifelong care; and

**WHEREAS:** With more patients reaching adulthood, continued efforts in fundraising and research is required to ensure access to ongoing care and support; and

**NOW THEREFORE,** I, Marshall Chalmers, Mayor of the City of Chestermere, do hereby proclaim the week of **February 7 - 14, 2021** as **Congenital Heart Disease Awareness Week** in the City of Chestermere.

Dated this 19 day of January, 2021

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Mayor Marshall Chalmers

