## APPENDIX B PROCLAMATION

## Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day

## September 9, 2023

**WHEREAS:** Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) is a diagnostic term that describes the range of effects that can occur in an individual who was prenatally exposed to alcohol; and

**WHEREAS:** Children and adults with FASD in Canada and around the world experience lifelong physical, mental, and behavioural difficulties, as well as learning disabilities; and

**WHEREAS:** Caregivers, families, professionals, and individuals living with FASD, as well as others around the world, will observe International FASD Awareness Day on September 9, 2023, with a minute of reflection at 9:09 a.m.

**NOW THEREFORE:** I, Barry Kalinski, Reeve for the Municipal District of Bonnyville, do hereby proclaim September 9, 2023 to be

## "Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day"

in the Municipal District of Bonnyville.

I encourage everyone to act with compassion and understanding towards individuals who have experienced prenatal alcohol exposure and to take both personal and professional responsibility to become better informed about FASD and prevention strategies.

Signed,

Barry Kalinski Reeve

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2023