



## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

### PROCLAMATION "PINK SHIRT DAY"

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

Pink Shirt Day has humble beginnings. Inspired by an act of kindness in small-town Nova Scotia, when two students, David Shepherd and Travis Price, took a stand against homophobic bullying after a student was harassed and threatened for wearing pink. Since then, the idea has only grown each year, with worldwide support and participation. Last year alone, people in almost 180 countries shared their support of Pink Shirt Day through social media posts and donations.

On February 24, 2021, everyone is encouraged to practice kindness and wear pink to symbolize that bullying is not tolerated. Wearing pink on February 24<sup>th</sup> sends a strong message that society cares.

**WHEREAS**, A partnership of youth, parents, educators and other school employees, police, youth-serving organizations and community members have a role to play in highlighting the dangers of bullying;

**AND WHEREAS**, It is important that we encourage everyone throughout the Town to be caring and respectful to one another so that all can live in a safe environment.

**THEREFORE**, we, the Elected Officials of the Town of Olds, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, February 24, 2021 as "**PINK SHIRT DAY**" in the Town of Olds.

**"BULLYING STOPS HERE - PINK SHIRT DAY" in the Town of Olds.**

Signed this ninth day of February, 2021

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Muzychka", is written over a horizontal line. Below the line, the text "His Worship, Mayor Michael Muzychka" is printed in a black serif font.