



City of Spruce Grove Proclamation Anti-Bullying Day (Pink Shirt Day)

February 25, 2026

WHEREAS; Anti-Bullying Day, also known as Pink Shirt Day, is an international initiative, started in 2007 in Canada, to take a stand against all forms of bullying; and

WHEREAS; discrimination, harassment, exclusion, intimidation, and other forms of bullying have a profound effect on an individual's feeling of safety and self-worth, and are unacceptable; and

WHEREAS; bullying is a learned behaviour and occurs in all age groups and social situations; not just in the schoolyard, but also in the workplace, at home, and on the internet; and

WHEREAS; the City of Spruce Grove is committed to fostering a sense of belonging for all and integrating a Diversity, Inclusion, Equity and Belonging (DIEB) lens into decision making, planning and delivery of services; and

WHEREAS; everyone can help prevent bullying and speak up against it; and

WHEREAS; Anti-Bullying Day provides an opportunity to promote kindness, respect, and inclusion by lifting each other up;

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Acker, Mayor of the City of Spruce Grove, do hereby proclaim February 25, 2026 as "Anti-Bullying Day" in the City of Spruce Grove, and encourage citizens to wear pink and practice these principles today and every day.