

FREEDOM TO READ PROCLAMATION



FREEDOM TO READ WEEK
SEMAINE DE LA LIBERTÉ D'EXPRESSION

CENSURE
Liberté d'expression
accès à l'information

CENSORSHIP
freedom of expression
access to information

WHEREAS *Freedom to Read Week* is an initiative to promote literacy, tolerance, knowledge, and a love of reading among all Canadians;

AND WHEREAS the right to pursue the truth through free inquiry is essential to democratic decision-making;

AND WHEREAS the freedom to read print on paper or online, is the essence of free inquiry;

AND WHEREAS the freedom to read can never be taken for granted;

AND WHEREAS the freedom to read is under attack;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

the Council of Village of Rockyford endorses the objectives of *Freedom to Read Week*, and recognizes, reaffirms, and defends the rights of the citizens of Rockyford individually to decide what they will or will not read; and calls on all residents to actively work to achieve these objectives, and in so doing ensure Rockyford continues to be a Freedom to Read zone in which the freedom to read and the right to seek information will not be violated.

NOW, THEREFORE I

DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of February 18 – February 24, 2024, as

FREEDOM TO READ WEEK

in the Village of Rockyford.