

August 2024 Proclamations

National Peacekeepers' Day

August 9, 2024

WHEREAS; Canadian peacekeepers have been internationally recognized for their efforts and contributions in the advancement of human rights, social progress and world peace; and,

WHEREAS; in following the example of Lester B. Pearson, Nobel Peace Prize recipient, Canadians are recognized throughout the world as committed proponents of peace; and,

WHEREAS; more than 100,000 Canadians have contributed towards world peace and many having made the supreme sacrifice in the pursuit of peace and we recognize their grieving families, colleagues, friends and communities; and,

WHEREAS; the humanitarian efforts of Canadian peacekeepers has enhanced quality of life and preserved the liberties of countries around the world; and,

WHEREAS; on August 9, 1974, the greatest single day loss of Canadian peacekeepers occurred during a peacekeeping mission in the Middle East; and,

WHEREAS; Canada's military has a proud history of peacekeeping and is recognized internationally for its efforts, commitment and actions and has established international standards admired throughout the world; and,

WHEREAS; Parkland County, in partnership with the Canadian Association of Veterans in United Nations Peacekeeping, will commemorate these contributions;

THEREFORE; Parkland County Council, do hereby proclaim **August 9, 2024** as "**National Peacekeepers' Day**" to pay tribute to the men and women who have made extreme sacrifices in the line of service, and to honour those who continue in peacekeeping efforts under the banner of the Canadian flag.