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CERTIFIED COPY OF A RESOLUTION

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Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)

- "WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia reports concerning, and increasing, figures of gender-based and intimate partner violence; and
- WHEREAS a research paper on Male Survivors of IPV in Canada, commissioned by Office of the Federal Ombudsman for Victims of Crime, states that men in Canada experience intimate partner violence in significant numbers, yet little attention has been paid to their needs; and
- **WHEREAS** the province of British Columbia reports that 20,000 women in BC experience relationship violence (which includes Intimate Partner Violence) annually.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE DISTRICT OF CHETWYND:

- 1. Acknowledges intimate-partner violence as an epidemic in British Columbia to bring attention to this issue; and asks the provincial and federal governments to provide the appropriate supports necessary to address the epidemic; and
- 2. Encourages other local governments to acknowledge intimate partner violence as an epidemic to bring attention to this issue; and
- 3. Encourages the Province of British Columbia to declare intimate partner violence an epidemic across the province; and
- 4. Encourages the Federal government to introduce femicide as a term within the Criminal Code of Canada as femicide is a result of gender-based, and often intimate partner violence."

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of a resolution as adopted by the Council of the District of Chetwynd on September 3, 2024.

Deanne Ennis Corporate Officer