

PROCLAMATION

National Day of Mourning

April 28th, 2026

- WHEREAS: Marked annually in Canada on April 28, the National Day of Mourning is dedicated to remembering those who have lost their lives, suffered injury or illness on the job, or experienced a work-related tragedy; and
- WHEREAS: In 2023 there were 1,057 workplace fatalities recorded in Canada. Among these deaths were 29 young workers aged 15 to 24; and
- WHEREAS: Add to these fatalities the 274,022 accepted claims for lost time due to a work-related injury or disease, including 32,861 from workers aged 15 to 24, and the fact these statistics only include what is reported by the compensation boards, there is no doubt the total number of workers impacted is even greater; and
- WHEREAS: It's not just these numbers on which we need to reflect. With each worker tragedy there are loved ones, family members, friends and co-workers who are directly affected, left behind, and deeply impacted – their lives also forever changed; and
- WHEREAS: The annual observance of this day will help strengthen the resolve and our commitment to establish safe and healthy conditions in the workplace, and prevent further injuries, illnesses, and deaths;
- THEREFORE: I, Mayor Simon Boersma, do hereby declare April 28th, 2026, as **National Day of Mourning**, in the Town of Morinville.



Mayor Simon Boersma

