

(Draft municipal resolution)

March is *Community Social Services Awareness Month*

Whereas community social services are vital to the quality of life of all British Columbians; *and*

Whereas community social services in British Columbia include services to families and children; people with disabilities; people and families dealing with substance abuse; people in community justice services, including correction services and victim assistance programs; women and their families in transition houses or sexual assault centres; aboriginal peoples; individuals involved in community projects and employment training programs; as well as child care, multicultural, settlement and immigrant services; and more; *and*

Whereas the availability of these supportive services helps improve the quality of life for everyone, while making our communities stronger and more stable; *and*

Whereas greater recognition and understanding of the critical role these services play in our communities is needed to ensure their continued availability and improvement; *and*

Whereas awareness and support for these services begins at the local level;

Now therefore be it resolved that this council proclaim *March as Community Social Services Awareness Month.*



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