



**PROCLAMATION
COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES AWARENESS MONTH
MARCH/2011**

WHEREAS: community social services are vital to the quality of life of all British Columbians; and

WHEREAS: community social services in British Columbia include child care; community living supports; services for children and families, Aboriginal peoples, people with disabilities, and people and families dealing with mental health and/or substance use issues; community justice services, including correction services, victim services programs and violence against women programs; transition houses and sexual assault centres for women and their families; employment training programs; community rehabilitation services; 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, stable and more economically sustainable; and

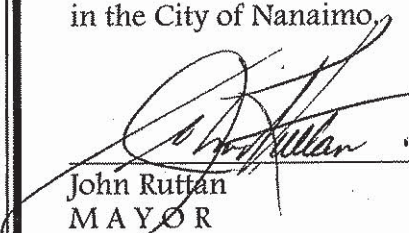
WHEREAS: greater recognition and understanding of the critical role these services play in our communities are needed to ensure their continued availability and improvement; and

WHEREAS: awareness and support for these services begins at the local level.

NOW THEREFORE I, John Ruttan, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim that the month of March, 2011, shall be known as

"COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Nanaimo,


John Ruttan
MAYOR

DATED THIS 1st DAY OF MARCH, 2011.

