## **Proclamation** Restorative Justice Week

November 17 to 24, 2013

- **WHEREAS** in the face of crime or conflict, restorative justice offers a philosophy and approach that views these matters principally as harm done to people and relationships; and
- **WHEREAS** restorative justice is a non-adversarial, non-retributive approach to justice that emphasizes healing in victims, accountability of offenders, and the involvement of citizens in creating healthier, safer communities.
- **WHEREAS** this year's theme for Restorative Justice Week is *"Inspiring Innovation"*, it is an opportunity to learn about restorative justice, educate and celebrate along with other communities across the country during the week.

**THEREFORE,** as chair of the Comox Valley Regional District board of directors, I do hereby proclaim November 17 to 24, 2013 as Restorative Justice Week within the Comox Valley Regional District.

Edwin Grieve Chair

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013

