## **Proclamation** Community Social Services Awareness March 2012

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 for children, youth and families; Aboriginal peoples and communities; people with disabilities; people and families dealing with mental health and/or substance use problems; people in community justice service, including correction services, victim service programs and violence against women programs; women and their families in transition houses or sexual assault centres; individuals involved in community projects; as well as early childhood development and child care, community living supports, multicultural, settlement and immigrant services; and more and
WHEREAS	the availability of these support services helps improve the quality of life for everyone, while making our community 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 accessibility, availability and improvement; and
WHEREAS	awareness and support for these services begins at the local level;
<b>THEREFORE,</b> I, Edwin Grieve, chair of the Comox Valley Regional District board, do hereby proclaim March 2012 as community social services awareness month within the Comox Valley Regional District.	
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Edwin Grieve Chair

Dated this 14th day of February, 2012

