

# Proclamation

## Community Social Services Awareness Month

### March 2013

**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;

**THEREFORE**, as chair of the Comox Valley Regional District board, I do hereby proclaim March 2013 as community social services awareness month within the Comox Valley Regional District.



Edwin Grieve  
Chair

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013

