

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 people with disabilities; families and children; 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 (_____) *either March 2008 or a specific week in March* as Community Social Services Awareness (week/month).