



PROCLAMATION
FOSTER FAMILY MONTH
OCTOBER/2012

WHEREAS: thousands of British Columbia Foster Families provide alternate family care for children temporarily unable to live with their families and extended families; and

WHEREAS: foster families work in partnership with birth parents, extended families and community child and family services as an integral and valued part of a team that serves the children and families of British Columbia; and

WHEREAS: First Nations, Metis, Inuit and other aboriginal foster families help preserve the identity and unique culture and heritage of aboriginal children and youth; and

WHEREAS: foster families from various cultures support children and youth to understand and cultivate their heritage; and


WHEREAS: foster families provide care and ongoing support to children, while, at the same time, participating in planning to assist children to return to their families, live with extended families, or make the transition to an adoptive family; and

WHEREAS: fostering is a community responsibility and foster families build stronger communities.

NOW THEREFORE, I John Ruttan, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim the month of October/2012, to be known as:

"FOSTER FAMILY MONTH"

in the City of Nanaimo.


John Ruttan
MAYOR

DATED THIS 3RD DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012.

