

City of Campbell River From the Office of the Mayor

- PROCLAMATION-

WHEREAS the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms recognizes that no discrimination shall be made on the basis of sexual orientation;

- **AND WHEREAS** the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights states that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights;
- AND WHEREAS Campbell River is a society open to everyone, including the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, two-spirit, intersex, gender-queer and transsexual community, who play an important part in the rich fabric of our local diversity;
- AND WHEREAS Campbell River's community members and leaders have taken a leadership role in the fight for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and are committed to equal treatment for all people and their right to live in conditions of dignity, respect, and peace;
- AND WHEREAS with this year's theme "Same Sex Couples a story of love", and CR Pride, through AIDS Vancouver Island, its partners and other organizations holding this day to make the general public, of all ages and diverse social, cultural, and economic positions, more aware of LGBTT issues –in our own community and beyond and to further the inclusion and celebration of LGBTT persons in all areas of society. Our city pledges to continue to work to create safer and more inclusive spaces –for all its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE I, Charlie J. Cornfield, Mayor of the City of Campbell River do hereby proclaim May 17, 2011 to be observed as:

"CAMPBELL RIVER'S DAY TO WALK AWAY FROM HOMOPHOBIA"

in the City of Campbell River, Province of British Columbia,

Dated this 9th day of May, 2011.

Charlie J. Cornfield

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