

City of Campbell River From the Office of the Mayor

- PROCLAMATION-

- WHEREAS the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) is celebrating Vision Health Month in May 2011 to raise awareness about the importance of safeguarding vision health;
- AND WHEREAS more than 836,000 Canadians are living with significant vision loss, including 110,000 British Columbians;
- AND WHEREAS an additional 4.25 million Canadians have some form of age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma or cataracts and if left untreated, most of these people will be at risk of significant vision loss;
- AND WHEREAS regular eye exams are the best form of early detection and prevention improving the chances of detecting any of the four major eye conditions early enough to help control and treat the disease;
- AND WHEREAS wearing sunglasses protects our eyes from harmful UVA and UVB rays;
- AND WHEREAS CNIB passionately provides community-based support, knowledge and a national voice to ensure Canadians who are blind or partially signed have the confidence, skills and opportunities to fully participate in life;
- NOW THEREFORE I, Charlie J. Cornfield, Mayor of the City of Campbell River do hereby proclaim the month of May 2011 to be observed as:

"VISION HEALTH MONTH"

and ask the citizens of Campbell River to wear their sunglasses and consider a donation of support to CNIB on Thursday, May 26th, 2011, to be observed as: **"SHADES OF FUN DAY"**

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

Dated this 26th day of April 2011.

Charlie J. Cornfield MAYOR