

-PROCLAMATION-

WHEREAS

with approximately 6,500 children and youth in care across British Columbia, our government relies on foster caregivers to provide day-to-day stability, care and support to the children and youth placed in their care;

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 caregivers are compassionate, dedicated, caring citizens whose important work often goes unnoticed;

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 provides opportunities for all community members to contribute to the support of vulnerable children and youth;

AND WHEREAS

the Municipal Government wishes to recognize the care, compassion and unselfish commitment of Campbell River's foster families.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Andy Adams, Mayor of the City of Campbell River, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2019 to be:

"FOSTER FAMILY MONTH"

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

Dated this 9th day of October, 2019 at Campbell River, B.C.

Mayor Andy Adams