

## CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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# **PROCLAMATION**

# "Foster Family Month"

#### October 2024

WHEREAS The Township of Esquimalt wishes to recognize the care, compassion

and unselfish commitment of British Columbia foster families who care for children temporarily unable to live with their families and extended

families; and

WHEREAS, Foster families are an integral and valued part of a team that helps

children return to their families, live with extended family or make the

transition to an adoptive family; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous foster families support Indigenous children and youth to learn

about and practise their Indigenous traditions, customs and language and

to belong to their Indigenous community; and

WHEREAS. Foster families from diverse cultural backgrounds support all children and

youth to maintain their cultural heritage, learn about and practise their cultural traditions, customs and language, and belong to their community;

and

WHEREAS, Fostering is a community responsibility that provides opportunities for all

community members to contribute to the support of children and youth;

THEREFORE, I, Barbara Desjardins, Mayor of the Corporation of the Township of

Esquimalt, do hereby proclaim the month of October as

### **Foster Family Month**

In the Municipality of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia.

Barbara Desjardins Mayor