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Letter from Cory Heavener and Renaa Bacy, Office of the Provincial Director of Child Welfare

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His Worship Mayor Lyn Hall and Council City of Prince George

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Dear Mayor Hall and Council:

As the Provincial Director of Child Welfare and Provincial Director of Adoption and Permanency, we are honoured to proclaim November as Adoption Awareness Month. This month is about raising awareness for adoption in British Columbia and celebrating the families who have welcomed children and youth as permanent members of their family.

Every child deserves the love and support of a nurturing family. November is about celebrating the adoptive families that have made a difference in the lives of children by providing care, guidance, and a sense of belonging. Adoptive families are committed to ensuring stability and sharing their love, whether that is in their role as parent, sibling, or extended family member.

November is also about recognizing that there are children who are still waiting for permanent homes. There continues to be a need for more adoptive families in British Columbia to offer their support to help children grow and develop into their full potential.

There are many online resources, information, and support services that can help families who are considering adoption. Adopt BC Kids is an online portal that allows British Columbians wishing to adopt children and youth from foster care to complete an adoption application. The Adoptive Families Association of British Columbia provides information and support services for families who wish to adopt now or in the future. We encourage you to share these resources with your community members who are interested in learning more about adoption or who are ready to open their hearts and homes.

Please join us in celebrating November as Adoption Awareness Month to recognize all the individuals who have grown their family and their hearts through adoption, and to all those who may do so in the future. On behalf of the Government of British Columbia, thank you for your continued leadership in supporting adoptive families in your community.

Sincerely,

Cory Heavener Assistant Deputy Minister and Provincial Director of Child Welfare Renaa Bacy Provincial Director of Adoption Sent on behalf of the Office of the Provincial Director of Child Welfare by:



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