

DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH

PROCLAMATION

EASTER SEALS MONTH

MARCH 2010

WHEREAS One in seven Canadians report having a physical or cognitive disability

WHEREAS Easter Seals is dedicated to fully enhancing the quality of life, building confidence, independence, and self-esteem of children with disabilities

WHEREAS Easter Seals BC programs include patient care grants, financial assistance in purchasing specialized equipment, residential summer camping programs, Easter Seals Houses, laser skin services and the Helipad at Vancouver General Hospital

WHEREAS The largest residential care facility in Vancouver is the Vancouver Easter Seals House which annually provides over 32,000 bed nights to people with disabilities and medical conditions from most BC communities

WHEREAS Easter Seals provides all BC children with disabilities the opportunity to attend a residential camping session at no cost to their parents or guardians. The camps provide challenging activities that help the children build abilities and become active leaders in their communities. Each year over 80 children attend an Easter Seals Camp in BC

WHEREAS Throughout BC, Easter Seals is recognized as the largest children's charity, largest residential care provider and largest residential camping program for children with disabilities.

NOW THEREFORE, I Alice Finall do hereby proclaim the month of March 2010 as **"EASTER SEALS MONTH"**

IN WITNESS, I set my hand this 22nd day of February 2010

ALICE FINALL
MAYOR