



DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH  
PROCLAMATION

VISION HEALTH MONTH

MAY 2011

- WHEREAS: 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 has declared May 26<sup>th</sup> “Shades of Fun Day” and ask citizens of the District of North Saanich to wear their sunglasses and consider a donation of support to CNIB;
- AND WHEREAS CNIB passionately provides community-based support, knowledge and a national voice to ensure Canadians who are blind or partially sighted have the confidence, skills and opportunities to fully participate in life.
- NOW THEREFORE I, Alice Finall, Mayor of the District of North Saanich, do proclaim the month of *May 2011*, as “*Vision Health Month*” in the District of North Saanich and *Thursday, May 26th, 2011 as Shades of Fun Day*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I set my hand this 4th day of April 2011.

  
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ALICE FINALL  
MAYOR

