



City of Colwood

Proclamation

WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS the City of Colwood seniors are valued members of society, convey a wealth of experience and wisdom in our community and deserve to live with dignity and respect. IT is our collective responsibility ensure they live safely and fully in a community that cares about them.

WHEREAS victims of elder abuse are parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends. Elder abuse is not limited by race, gender, culture, and circumstance, and whether physical, psychological, emotional, sexual, political, religious or financial, elder abuse takes an unacceptable toll on individuals and families.

WHEREAS at least 10% of senior adults in British Columbia will at some point in time face some form of abuse. Tragically, many will suffer in silence, burdened by fear, shame, or impairments that prevent them from speaking out about abuse.

WHEREAS combating abuse of older adults will help improve the quality of life for all seniors in our community and will allow seniors to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of the City of Colwood.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

Our senior population is an important part of our society.
Our aging population deserves the respect to have this day and these issues brought to the attention of all of society, locally and globally. We will help raise that awareness.

NOW THEREFORE:

I, Carol Hamilton, Mayor of the City of Colwood, do hereby proclaim June 15th as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day and encourage all City of Colwood residents to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors, to help raise awareness of these issues and prevent abuse and neglect of our older adults.

Mayor Carol Hamilton

