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Mayor Rob Kerslake  
District of Barriere  
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Dear Mayor Kerslake and Council:

As Minister of Children and Family Development, I am delighted to once again proclaim October as Foster Family Month in British Columbia. It is my honour to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the important work of both family and foster caregivers, and to thank them for their unwavering commitment and dedication to British Columbia's children and youth in care. This October will mark the 35<sup>th</sup> Foster Family Month in British Columbia.

Caregivers of all kinds show incredible kindness and generosity in opening their hearts and homes and sharing their lives with vulnerable children and youth. By providing a safe and nurturing environment for these young people, not only do they help them cope with what can be very difficult times, they also help them begin to heal and work through the challenges they have experienced. Over the years, I have met many amazing caregivers whose compassion and dedication to the children and youth they care for has left a lasting impression on me.

Please join me in celebrating these caregivers for the crucial role they play in all our communities, and for the selfless work they do for the children, youth, and families of British Columbia.

Sincerely,

Jodie Wickens  
Minister of Children and Family Development

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