

## TOWN OF COMOX

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## PROCLAMATION LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2021

WHEREAS Lyme disease and Lyme co-infections are the fastest-growing vector-

borne infections in Canada and impact the quality of life of thousands of individuals and their families in British Columbia and across

Canada; and

WHEREAS Lyme disease and Lyme co-infections are difficult to diagnose and

treat, and, if left untreated, symptoms may result in complicated multi-

level infections that are life-altering; and

WHEREAS As the range of this disease continues to expand across North

America, Public Health Canada anticipates an increase in reported

Lyme disease cases in British Columbia and Canada; and

WHEREAS Lyme disease is preventable if the right precautions are taken, and it is

important that everyone know how to protect themselves and their loved ones from this vector-borne disease on prevention and

recognition of early signs and symptoms; and

WHEREAS Lyme Disease Awareness Month is an opportunity to increase

awareness of this serious disease and to educate on prevention and

recognition of early signs and symptoms.

NOW THEREFRE,

I, Mayor Arnott, do hereby declare that May, 2021 shall be known as "Lyme Disease Awareness Month" in the Town of Comox

Mayor Russ Arnott