

Proclamation

NATIONAL BRITISH HOME CHILD DAY

September 28, 2025

WHEREAS From 1869 to 1948, over 100,000 children of various ages emigrated from all parts of the UK to Canada, where they served as indentured farm workers and domestic help. These children are collectively known as "British Home Children,"; and

WHEREAS Over 25,000 of these children bravely fought for our country during World Wars I and II.

All have significantly contributed to the growth of numerous cities across Canada; and

WHEREAS Over four million Canadians are direct descendants of these British Home Children residing across Canada; and

WHEREAS On September 28, 2025, Canadians will once again mark National British Home Child Day, a day proclaimed by the Government of Canada in 2018 and British Home Child Day in Nova Scotia, proclaimed by the Government of Nova Scotia in 2011, to recognize the lives and legacies of the over 100,000 British Home Children sent to Canada between the late 19th century and the 1970s; and

WHEREAS During National British Home Child Day in Canada, various venues across the country and around the globe will take part in the "Beacons of Tribute" to honour the legacy of the British Home Children and their descendants.

THEREFORE I, Bonny MacIsaac, Warden of the Municipality of the County of Inverness do hereby proclaim

September 28, 2025 as "National British Home Child Day" in the Municipality of the County of Inverness.

Warden Bonny Mac Baac Warden Bonny Mac Isaac

Municipality of the County of Inverness

Signed at Port Hood, Nova Scotia, this 2nd of October 2025.