

British Home Child Day **September 28, 2026**

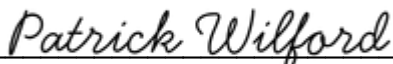
WHEREAS Over 100,000 children from toddlers to the age of eighteen were emigrated from all areas of the UK to Canada. Their children were used as a source of labour on our farms and in our Canadian households as indentured labourers. They are known today as the "British Home Children" (BHC);

AND WHEREAS There are an estimated four million descendants of BHC living in Canada today;

AND WHEREAS Many of these children were settled into Norwood and the surrounding area. They contributed enormously to the building of this Region;

AND WHEREAS On September 28th, our National BHC Day in Canada, over 65 venues across Canada, Scotland, and England will be participating in the "Beacons of Light for BHC and Child Migrants Tribute" to honour the memory of the BHC and their descendants and community can participate by leaving their porch lights on to lead them the way home or by placing a sunflower on the grave of a BHC at your local cemetery.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Wilford, on behalf of the Township of Asphodel-Norwood, do hereby proclaim September 28, 2026 as "British Home Child Day."



Patrick Wilford, Mayor