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PROCLAMATION

Restorative Justice Week

November 13-20, 2011

WHEREAS, in the face of crime or conflict, restorative justice offers a philosophy and approach that views these matters principally as harm done to people and relationships; and

WHEREAS, restorative justice approaches strive to provide support and opportunities for the voluntary participation and communication between those affected by crime and conflict (victims, offenders, community) to encourage accountability, reparation and a movement towards understanding, feelings of satisfaction, healing and a sense of closure; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for Restorative Justice Week is "*Re-visioning Justice*", it is an opportunity to learn about restorative justice, educate and celebrate along with other communities across the country during the week.

THEREFORE, I, Peter A. Mertens, do hereby proclaim November 13-20, 2011 as Restorative Justice Week, in the County of Prince Edward.

DATED at Picton this 1st day of November, 2011
Peter A. Mertens, Mayor