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MISSION HOSPICE SOCIETY INVALUABLE FOR COMMUNITY

VICTORIA- Maple Ridge-Mission MLA Marc Dalton spoke in the Legislature today to acknowledge the invaluable work of the Mission Hospice Society.

“Last Friday, I had the opportunity to visit the Christine Morrison Hospice, occupying the entire third floor of Mission Memorial Hospital for the past seven years.

“As you step off of the elevator a beautiful waterfall welcomes you in. The warm lighting, colours, comfortable furniture and atmosphere help you to forget that you’re even in a hospital.

“If you’re lucky, one of the many wonderful staff or volunteers, like LPN Joann St. Pierre, RN Jayne “Spikey” Godfrey or Joanne Halligan- Coordinator of Volunteers, will be there to greet you. And if you’re even luckier, you will have the honor of meeting Dr. Potter, who’s been with the Mission Hospice for many years.

“Founded in 1985 to provide compassionate care and support to the dying and the bereaved, the hospice emphasizes "care not cure" for those who are in the final stages of life.

“Executive Director Kim Skinner truly believes that aligning oneself with the Mission Hospice society means working with a team of dedicated professionals, committed volunteers and generous donors who share the vision of quality hospice care for everyone in the community.

“Her predecessor, Stephanie Ediger and people like past president Diane Kruger, spent many years building the hospice up from a small society into the wonderful place it is today.

“Not only does the hospice offer a comfortable place for patients, it also offers tremendous support for family and friends. Kimberley Thompson, the Coordinator of Bereavement Programs and Kate McCandless, the Child, Youth and Family Coordinator, help people dealing with loss find renewed meaning in life.

“The commitment of Hospice staff, doctors, nurses, and volunteers is invaluable, and is greatly appreciated in the community.”



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