



**PROCLAMATION
Big Brothers Big Sisters Month
September 2026**

WHEREAS, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pictou County has been a champion for young people for 46 years, providing mentor relationships that offer guidance, consistency, and hope; and

WHEREAS, mentoring is more than spending time together. It's about igniting sparks of potential that empower young people to overcome adversity and thrive; and

WHEREAS, the demand for BBBS programs continues to grow, and while more children and families are reaching out for support, there remains an urgent need for new volunteer mentors and sustainable funding to keep these life-changing programs free of charge; and

WHEREAS, the measurable outcomes of mentoring, improved mental health, stronger social-emotional skills, educational engagement, and future readiness demonstrate that mentorship is an investment in brighter futures for all of Pictou County; and

WHEREAS, the "Opening Doors" Campaign reminds us that one person, one moment, and one match can be the spark that changes the course of a young person's life; and

WHEREAS, the success of Big Brothers Big Sisters depends on the commitment of volunteers, donors, partners, and communities who believe every young person deserves the chance to reach their full potential; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Nancy Dicks, do hereby proclaim September 2026, as "**Big Brothers Big Sisters Month**" in the Town of New Glasgow.

Mayor Nancy Dicks