

Proclamation

Father J. Murray Abraham Day of Peace, Joy, and Love. September 26, 2016

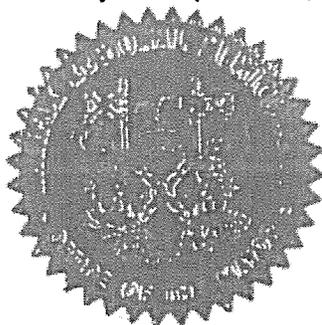
WHEREAS Father J. Murray Abraham developed innovative educational, agricultural and social justice programs that provided education and employment for thousands in the Himalayan foothills of West Bengal, India. His vision and achievements continue to inspire the work of many in India; and

He dedicated his life as a Jesuit to working with the "poorest of the poor" as a result of his experience of poverty and food insecurity while growing up in Halifax during the Depression. During his sixty years in India he maintained his connections with family and supporters in Halifax and across Canada, and obtained a Masters of Education from St Mary's University, Halifax; and

On Sept 26, 2015, on the ninety-first anniversary of his birth, thousands in the Kurseong area of West Bengal, India gathered to celebrate his life and legacy. A statue of Father Abraham was erected in Kurseong as a reminder of our call to serve the poor; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim September 26, 2016 as Father J. Murray Abraham Day of Peace, Joy, and Love in Halifax.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 20th day of September, 2016



Original Signed

Mike Savage
Mayor