

**PROCLAMATION** 

National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week April 22-28, 2018

WHEREAS Approximately 4,500 Canadians await a lifesaving organ transplant. Each year, more than 250 Canadians die waiting; and

WHEREAS One organ donor can save 8 lives and provide tissue for up to 75 patients; and

WHEREAS According to public opinion polls, close to 90 percent of Canadians support organ and tissue donation but only 20 percent have registered their decision; and

WHEREAS You are six times more likely to need a transplant than to become an organ donor. Age doesn't matter: Canada's oldest donor was 90 years of age.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim April 22-28, 2018 as National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week, and encourage everyone to raise awareness for organ and tissue donation that will help save lives.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2018



**Original Signed** 

Mike Savage Mayor