

## **Proclamation**

## Saint Patrick's Day Festival March 11- 17, 2016

Whereas; since it's founding in 1749 Halifax has benefited from a rich tradition of Irish heritage and culture.

This week we recognize the ongoing Irish social, economic, cultural, democratic, religious, scientific and related contributions of the Irish to our City. We also want to reinforce the long historic links between Ireland and Halifax by engaging as many members of the non-Irish community in this celebration.

Activities begin with today's flag raising and continue tomorrow with the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade that concludes here at the Grand Parade. The highlight of the week will be the 230th anniversary dinner on March 17th, featuring music, dancing, storytelling and merriment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim March 11 - 17, 2016 as "Saint Patrick's Day Festival" in the Halifax Regional Municipality and extend my personal thanks to Charitable Irish Society of Halifax and everyone involved in this very special event for keeping up our living heritage!

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016

Original Signed



Mike Savage Mayor