

Item No. 1

## Proclamation

### World Plumbing Day March 11, 2016

WHEREAS every person is affected by the availability of clean drinking water and basic sanitation.

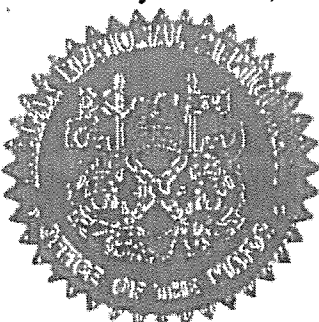
In many developing countries, plumbing is either very limited or even non-existent and the lack of an effective plumbing infrastructure is a huge factor in the tragic statistics which show that an unacceptably high proportion of the world population does not have access to safe water or to effective sanitation systems. The World Health Organization estimates that over 3 million children under the age of five die each year due to water related diseases. Simple plumbing solutions could make all the difference in saving lives.

With an increased global focus on climate change, the plumbing industry is a major player whether in relation to water conservation, use and reuse issues and in the installation and maintenance of equipment using renewable sources of energy.

The Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada, the Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating and the World Plumbing Council along with the related organizations around the world will join together on March 11, 2016 to raise awareness of the importance of proper plumbing in relation to protecting the planet and its citizens.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim March 11, 2016 as "World Plumbing Day" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

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



Original Signed

Mike Savage  
Mayor