

## Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day October 15, 2018

WHEREAS: October 15<sup>th</sup> is recognized worldwide, and in other regions of Canada as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day, to symbolize our support of Nova Scotia's Bill 179, Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Act; and

There is a need to develop a greater awareness and understanding about the causes of pregnancy and infant loss, so we can improve the healthcare provided for pregnant mothers and their babies. Increased awareness of the causes and impacts surrounding pregnancy and infant loss may lead to greater understanding, support and resources in communities across Nova Scotia; and

This Day is observed with remembrance ceremonies and candle-light vigils, concluding with the International Wave of Light, a worldwide lighting of candles at 7pm; and

**THEREFORE, I,** Mayor Mike Savage on behalf of Regional Council, do hereby declare October 15th, as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day in the Halifax Regional Municipality wishes to recognize the profound grief experienced by families who lose a baby.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia This 15<sup>th</sup>, day of October, 2018



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Mike Savage Mayor