



Proclamation

World Autism Awareness Month April 2nd, 2019

Whereas it is estimated that 1 in 66 people across the country have autism or a related condition, including over 14,000 individuals in Nova Scotia; and

Many dedicated autistic individuals, parents, teachers, researchers, and professionals, including those at Autism Nova Scotia and other community-based organizations, work tirelessly throughout our province to make the communities we live in accessible and inclusive for people with autism and their families; and

With 8 locations throughout the province, Autism Nova Scotia offers supports and services to the autism community and promotes understanding, acceptance, and inclusion through their advocacy efforts; and

Tomorrow, April 2nd, marks World Autism Awareness Day, when various landmarks across the globe, including the Empire State building in New York, the Nelson Mandela Bridge in South Africa, the Sydney Opera House in Australia, and our very own City Hall will be lit up blue to promote autism acceptance;

Therefore, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of the Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim April 2nd, 2019, as Autism Acceptance Day throughout the HRM and encourage all of our citizens to recognize the autistic individuals, parents, caregivers, educators, and other professionals who strive to make Nova Scotia an inclusive and accessible place to live.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 1st, day of April 2019



Original Signed

Mike Savage
Mayor