

Proclamation

International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia May 17, 2019

WHEREAS, the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia is recognized annually on May 17th to draw attention to the 2SLGBTQI+ community and the fear and hatred that is often directed at its members, and;

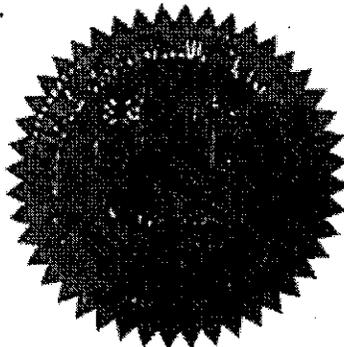
WHEREAS, this year's theme concentrates on 'Justice and Protection for All', and over the past decades there has been expansion of protections. This progress is well worth celebrating, and this is why May 17th is a day of celebration, and;

WHEREAS, today, the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia flag raising ceremony at Halifax Grand Parade is a declaration that Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) embraces diversity and values the 2SLGBTQI+ community and that homophobia, transphobia and biphobia are not welcome in HRM, and;

WHEREAS, the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia is a day to continue our collective journey towards societies that ensure justice and protection for all. It is a day to speak out against the phobias affecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, two-spirit, intersex communities and all people with diverse sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions or sex characteristics. In a fair and just world, no one shall be left behind.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim May 17th, 2019 as International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
This 17th day of May 2019



Original Signed

Mike Savage
Mayor