

## ***Proclamation***

### **Preston Township Heritage Days August 9-15, 2019**

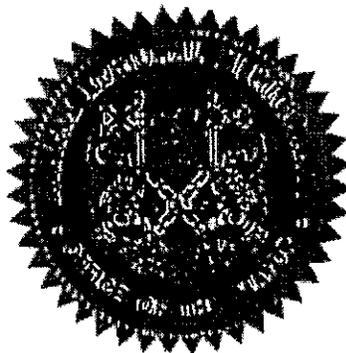
**WHEREAS**, 2019 commemorates the historic commemoration of the largest and oldest indigenous Black Communities in Canada, known as the Preston Township established in 1784.

**WHEREAS**, August 9-15, offers the communities of Cherry Brook, Lake Loon, East Preston and North Preston an opportunity to celebrate and share the heritage, history and culture of the African Nova Scotian Communities that make up the Township of Preston. The significance of recognizing the important role these communities have had in the building of our City and Province, is especially important as we observe the United Nations Proclamation of the Decade for People of African Descent, (2015–2024) And;

**WHEREAS**, it is in the interest of all Canadians to be able to share in the rich historical and cultural heritage of the thriving African Nova Scotian communities that make up the largest historic Black settlements in this Country;

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Regional Council, encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the many achievements, and contributions of the historic African Nova Scotian communities of the Preston Township and the contributions to our Municipality and hereby proclaim August 9-15 as "Preston Township Heritage Days" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 2019



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Mike Savage  
Mayor