

***Proclamation***

**Overdose Awareness Day  
August 31, 2019**

WHEREAS every year on August 31, International Overdose Awareness Day is recognized in communities around the world and we remember those whose lives have been lost, and to raise awareness about the risks of overdose.

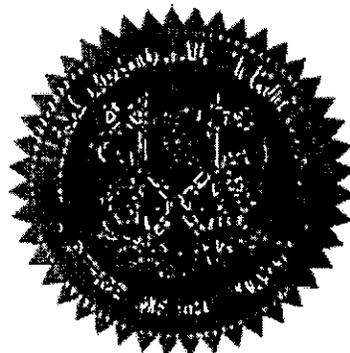
Overdose is the third leading cause of accidental death among people in the world with a percentage of these deaths occurring in Nova Scotia. Overdose deaths shatter families, friends and communities. Accidental overdose is largely preventable.

This day recognizes the devastating impact of drug overdose in Halifax and also provides an opportunity to remember individuals who have died while making a commitment to preventing future deaths.

The Halifax Regional Municipality is committed to improving the health and well-being of all community members.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of members of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2019 as "**Overdose Awareness Day**" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
This 31<sup>st</sup>, day of August 2019



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Mike Savage  
Mayor