

## **Proclamation**

Ukraine Independence Day August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

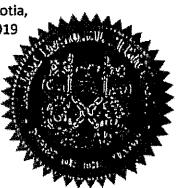
WHEREAS, On August 24, 1991, the people of Ukraine, realizing their inviolable right to self-determination, continued the 1000-year history of state-building and declared Ukraine an independent, indivisible and democratic State and Canada was the first Western state to recognize Ukraine's Independence;

And Ukrainians began to settle in Canada over 125 years ago, seeking liberty, peace and prosperity, many of whom first arrived in Canada at Pier 21 in Halifax, and Ukrainian Canadians have made enormous contributions to the cultural and social fabric of our great nation;

And Canada is home to a community of over 1.4 million Ukrainian Canadians, and Canada is one of the closest international friends of Ukraine,

**THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby invite all present to participate in the celebration of Ukraine's Independence Day, August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2019



Original signed

Mike Savage Mayor