



## Proclamation Transgender Day

November 20th, 2019

Whereas; The Transgender Day of Remembrance known as TDOR is recognized annually on November 20th through vigil and solidarity. This November 20th, 2019 in Halifax, Nova Scotia we are raising the Transgender Flag to honor those who are no longer with us and;

Further be it resolved the Transgender Day of Remembrance was set aside to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. The event is held in November to honor Rita Hester, whose murder on November 28th, 1998 sparked the "Remembering Our Dead" web project and a San Francisco candlelight vigil in 1999. Rita Hester's murder — like most antitransgender murder cases — has yet to be solved.

Day of Remembrance publicly mourns and honors the lives of all Trans people who might otherwise be forgotten. Through the vigil, we express love and respect for our people in the face of national indifference and hatred.

Day of Remembrance reminds cisgender (or non-transgender) people that we are their sons, daughters, parents, friends and lovers. Day of Remembrance gives our allies a chance to step forward with us and stand in vigil, memorializing those of us who've died by anti-transgender violence.

With greater awareness and education, we continue moving towards greater acceptance and inclusion for all transgender and gender diverse individuals in our communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim November 20th, 2019 as Transgender Day of Remembrance in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
this 20th day of November, 2019



Original Signed

Mike Savage  
Mayor