



Proclamation Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month November, 2022

WHEREAS Crohn's and Colitis Canada is a national, volunteer-based non-profit organization supporting the over 270,000 Canadians living with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), a chronic autoimmune disease that causes the body to attack healthy tissue, leading to inflammation of part of or all of the digestive system; and

WHEREAS people living with IBD routinely endure abdominal pain, cramping, fatigue, internal bleeding, and frequent and urgent bowel movements – in some cases over 20 times a day. While more than five million people globally live with IBD, Canada has one of the highest prevalence rates in the world, with the Atlantic provinces having the highest rates in the country. By 2030, experts predict the number of Canadians living with IBD to exceed 400,000 – one percent of the population. Currently, there is no cure; and

WHEREAS every November, Canada celebrates Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month. As part of this initiative, landmarks across Canada are illuminated red in a show of support for everyone impacted by IBD; and

WHEREAS to learn more about Crohn's and Colitis Canada and the work the organization does, please visit crohnsandcolitis.ca.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim November, 2022 as **Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month** in the Halifax Regional Municipality

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 31st day of October 2022



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Mike Savage
Mayor