



PROCLAMATION

Kidney Month March 2023

Whereas: Each day one in ten Canadians learn that their kidneys have failed, and this number is on the rise with 45% of new kidney patients under the age of 65. Their survival will depend on dialysis treatments or a kidney transplant. In 2021 kidney disease was the 10th leading cause of death in Canada. There are currently over 700 people in Nova Scotia receiving hemodialysis treatments three or more times a week, 149 people receiving peritoneal dialysis in their homes, 26 receiving home dialysis, 42 in receipt of a kidney transplant, and over 60 patients waiting for a kidney transplant; and

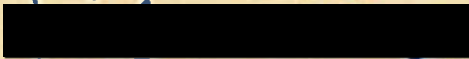
Whereas: The Kidney Foundation of Canada is the only national health charity serving the needs of people living with kidney disease through funding research, educational and emotional support programs, promotes access to high quality health care, and, actively promoting awareness of and commitment to kidney health and organ donation; and

Whereas: March 9th, 2023, is World Kidney Day, the Kidney Foundation, Atlantic Branch, aims to raise awareness of the importance of our kidneys to our overall health and to reduce the frequency and impact of kidney disease and its associated health problems.

Therefore be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim that the month of March 2023 be observed as "Kidney Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality. I urge all Nova Scotians to become aware of their own kidney health and learn about the role the kidneys play, the kidney disease warning signs to look for, as well as awareness of organ donation registry.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 9th day of March 2023




Mike Savage
Mayor