

Proclamation

Multiple Myeloma Awareness Day March 31st, 2023

WHEREAS Multiple Myeloma, also known as Myeloma, is a type of cancer that develops in plasma cells found in bone marrow and is the second most common blood cancer diagnosis.

WHEREAS A growing number of Canadians are diagnosed with myeloma every day, yet Myeloma is relatively unknown, and remains incurable.

WHEREAS Great strides have been made in the development of treatments for Canadians with Myeloma, but there remains a critical need to raise awareness and support for clinical research to find a cure for this deadly disease.

WHEREAS The Halifax Regional Municipality and Canadian Myeloma communities are committed to supporting the range of diverse peoples impacted by this disease, especially those disproportionately experiencing its effects and regardless of race, ethnicity, culture, gender, socio-economic background, or language.

WHEREAS Local support groups like the Nova Scotia Multiple Myeloma Support Group, and a national patient organization, Myeloma Canada, let people living with Myeloma know that they are not alone by offering resources like information, advocacy, and a sense of community.

WHEREAS Multiple Myeloma Awareness Day is an important opportunity to further educate the public and medical community in recognizing myeloma's signs and symptoms, which is crucial for achieving earlier diagnoses and thus better outcomes for people suffering from this incurable disease.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim March 31st, 2023 as Multiple Myeloma Awareness Day in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 31st day of March 2023

