



**Proclamation
The Longest Day of SMILES
June 18th, 2023**

WHEREAS, Operation Smile Canada is a global medical charity providing free, life-changing surgeries and medical care to children born with cleft conditions around the world; and

WHEREAS, Every three minutes a child is born with a cleft condition, and lack of access to safe, effective surgery means that easily treatable conditions like cleft lip and cleft palate can become fatal; and

WHEREAS, Operation Smile Canada believes every child born with a cleft condition deserves exceptional surgical care; and

WHEREAS, The Longest Day of SMILES will unite Canadians from coast to coast to coast as they raise awareness and funds; and

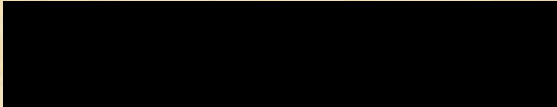
WHEREAS, On June 18, 2023 we encourage residents of Halifax Regional Municipality to learn more about how to support this worthy cause by visiting www.longestdayofsmiles.ca; and

WHEREAS, Our community can help celebrate the Longest Day of SMILES® by posting #longestdayofsmiles on social media; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim June 18th, 2023 as The Longest Day of SMILES throughout HRM and commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 18th day of June 2023




Mike Savage
Mayor