



## Proclamation

### CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK February 7-14, 2024

WHEREAS: Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) is the most common of all birth defects occurring in about one in every 100 births in Canada. Heart defects are present at birth and affect the structure of the heart and how blood flows throughout the heart and body; and


WHEREAS: More than 50 percent of all children born with CHD will require at least one invasive surgery in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS: Survival of children with CHD has greatly improved thanks to advances in medical technology, but for some, CHD means lifelong cardiac care; and

WHEREAS: With more patients reaching adulthood continued efforts in fundraising and research is required to ensure access to ongoing care and support.

Therefore, I, Mike Savage, Mayor of Halifax, Nova Scotia, do hereby proclaim February 7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Congenital Heart Disease Awareness Week in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024

  
Mike Savage  
Mayor

