

Item No. 5



Proclamation
Filipino Heritage Month
June 2024

WHEREAS, the proclamation made by the House of Commons on the 30th of October 2018 designates the month of June of every year as the Filipino Heritage Month in Canada. This recognition by the government of Canada honours generations of Filipinos who have made Canada their new home and contributed to its well-being; and

WHEREAS, this month coincides with the Philippine Independence Day on June 12, a most significant event in Philippine history that celebrates freedom, democracy, and culture; and

WHEREAS, the Filipino community is one of the fastest growing communities in the Halifax Regional Municipality and is making significant contributions to our Municipality's economic, social, civic, and cultural vitality. It is important to acknowledge that the Filipino community has provided essential support to the Municipality's successful response to the pandemic, just one example of their strong commitment to helping our society; and

WHEREAS, the Filipino Heritage Month offers all Canadians an opportunity to learn more about and share in the rich historical and cultural heritage of Filipinos and appreciate its many facets both traditional and progressive;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of the Regional Council, encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the many achievements and contributions of the vibrant and dynamic Filipino-Canadian community that is proud of its culture and heritage to our Municipality and hereby proclaim **June 2024** as "**Filipino Heritage Month**" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 12th day of June 2024



Mike Savage
Mayor