



Proclamation

Access Awareness Week

May 26 – June 1, 2024

WHEREAS, the week of May 26 - June 1, 2024 is recognized as Access Awareness Week. Access Awareness Week aims to celebrate achievements made both by and for persons with disabilities in the areas of accessibility, transportation, housing, employment, recreation, education and communication; and

WHEREAS, this is the 38th year that this public awareness initiative has taken place in Halifax. The theme for 2024 Access Awareness Week is *Communities for All: Taking Action on Access Awareness*; and

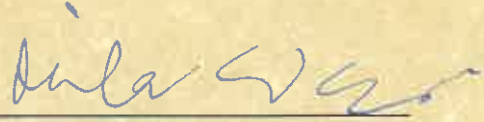
WHEREAS, accessibility barriers are many and interconnected, removing and preventing them is challenging and complex. The foundation of Nova Scotia's Accessibility Act is to provide, support and protect the rights of persons with disabilities to full inclusion and accessibility by the identification, prevention and removal of accessibility barriers. The Halifax Regional Municipality's Accessibility Strategy promotes the removal of barriers to accessibility and inclusion of persons with disabilities in our spaces, services, employment and information sharing; and

WHEREAS, Access Awareness Week promotes the inclusion of all Nova Scotians with disabilities as full citizens within our communities. Through public awareness, community partnerships and education, this campaign aims to foster an environment of equal participation for persons with disabilities within Halifax Regional Municipality.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim May 26 - June 1, 2024 as "Access Awareness Week" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
This 27th day of May 2024




Mike Savage
Mayor