

## **Proclamation**

## Bangla Heritage Week April 14-20, 2023

WHEREAS April 14-20 is Bangla Heritage Week which recognizes the first week of the Bangla calendar which includes Pahela Baishakh, the first day, and Mangal Shobhajatra, the beginning of the celebrations; and

WHEREAS the diversity of the heritage and culture of South Asian peoples in Nova Scotia and the Halifax Regional Municipality is recognized and valued; and

WHEREAS the Bangladesh Community Association of Nova Scotia works to promote and preserve the Bangladeshi culture, and to encourage positive social interaction and unity among Bangladeshis residing in Halifax Regional Municipality; and

WHEREAS there are many community celebrations of Bangla New Year in Halifax Regional Municipality, with Bangla-speaking peoples sharing their culture and history with others; and

WHEREAS Halifax Regional Municipality wishes to join all Nova Scotians to recognize the contributions of Bangla-speaking Canadians to this society.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim April 14-20, 2023 as "Bangla Heritage Week" in Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 14th day of April, 2023

