



Proclamation National Nurse Practitioner Week November 12-18, 2023

WHEREAS Nurse Practitioners (NPs) are Registered Nurses with advanced education and training that prepares them for a broad scope of practice and maximum functionality within the health care system; and are autonomous health care providers who work collaboratively with many health care providers; and

WHEREAS there are more than 9,200 licensed NPs throughout Canadian provinces and territories with approximately 340 in Nova Scotia providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life; and NPs diagnose, treat and prescribe medications and other treatments to patients through a caring, patient-centred, holistic model of care; and

WHEREAS Canadian citizens have great trust in the high-quality care Nurse Practitioners provide, with over three million Canadians; 24,000 Nova Scotians receiving care from a NP. Decades of research demonstrate the high quality of care provided by Nurse Practitioners. All provinces continue to work towards ensuring that all NPs are practicing at full scope; and

WHEREAS better utilization of Nurse Practitioners will continue to evolve through modernization of legislation and improved system policies that aim to create a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher quality health care system. Nova Scotia is proud to recognize and honour the service of NPs to our province;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim November 13-20, 2022, and every third week of November thereafter as **National Nurse Practitioner Week** in the Halifax Regional Municipality in recognition of the numerous contributions that NPs have made over the past half-century and will continue to make to the health and well-being of Nova Scotians.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 12th day of November 2023



[Redacted Signature]
Mike Savage
Mayor