



PROCLAMATION

Kidney Month March 2024

Whereas: Each day one in ten Canadians learn that their kidneys have failed, and this number is on the rise with 45% of new kidney patients under the age of 65. Their survival will depend on dialysis treatments or a kidney transplant. In 2022 kidney disease was the 10th leading cause of death in Canada; and

Whereas: The Kidney Foundation of Canada is the only national health charity serving the needs of people living with kidney disease through funding research, educational and emotional support programs, promotes access to high quality health care, and, actively promoting awareness of and commitment to kidney health and organ donation; and

Whereas: March 14th, 2024, is World Kidney Day, the Kidney Foundation, Atlantic Branch, aims to raise awareness of the importance of our kidneys to our overall health and to reduce the frequency and impact of kidney disease and its associated health problems; and

Whereas: When a group of dedicated volunteers first founded The Kidney Foundation of Canada in 1964, people experiencing kidney failure had little hope of survival. In their 60 years of developing research opportunities, programs, services and awareness campaigns, they have helped to change the course of kidney disease. Thanks to their generous supporters, there are vastly improved treatment options, discoveries about early detection, improved educational resources and achievements in advocacy.

Therefore be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim that the month of March 2024 be observed as “Kidney Month” in the Halifax Regional Municipality. I urge all Nova Scotians to become aware of their own kidney health and learn about the role the kidneys play, the kidney disease warning signs to look for, as well as awareness of organ donation registry.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 14th day of March 2024



Mike Savage
Mayor