



**ROTARY DAY
FEBRUARY 23, 2005
P R O C L A M A T I O N**

- WHEREAS Rotary is the world's first service organization, founded in Chicago on the 23rd of February, 1905. The Rotary motto is "Service Above Self". Rotary concerns itself with truth, fairness, improved relations between people and world peace. The avenues Rotary service include Community and International volunteerism through club activity and the promotion of ethical behaviour in all vocations; and

- WHEREAS Belonging to a Rotary Club gives men and women an organized outlet for contributing to their community locally and internationally; and

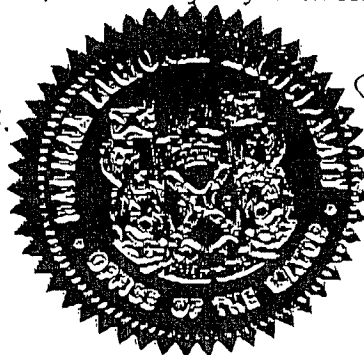
- WHEREAS Rotarians are business people and professionals who volunteer their time and resources to help others in their local communities and throughout the world; and

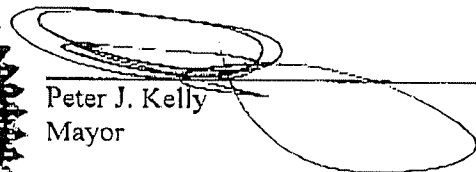
- WHEREAS Service to youth, especially children at risk, is a major emphasis of Rotary. Working with and for tomorrow's leaders, Rotary sponsors service clubs for youth and young adults and offers career development and mentoring programs. Additionally, Rotary is active in promoting peace worldwide through Rotary's Youth Exchange Programs, Group Study Exchanges and Rotary Friendship Exchanges; and

- WHEREAS Rotary International is celebrating the centennial of its founding and its 100 years of providing "Service Above Self" through contributions to improving the quality of life for all by more than 1.2 million Rotarians belonging to more than 31,000 Rotary Clubs located in 166 countries.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Peter J. Kelly, Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality, do hereby proclaim February 23, 2005, to be Rotary Day in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 22nd day of February, 2005.




 Peter J. Kelly
 Mayor