

Proclamation

**World Religion Day
January 20, 2008**

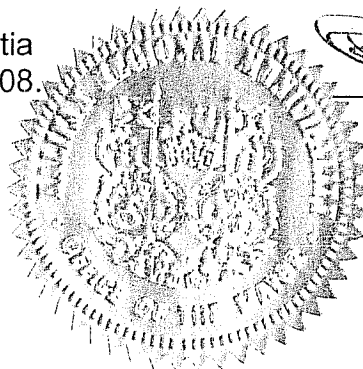
WHEREAS since 1950 World Religion Day has been celebrated on the third Sunday in January around the world to foster the establishment of interfaith understanding and harmony by encouraging the leaders and followers of every religion to acknowledge the similarities in each of the sacred Faiths; and

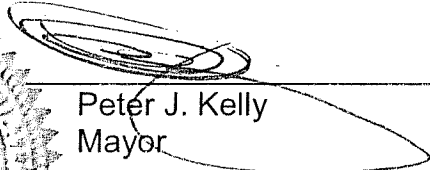
WHEREAS nothing has such an integrating effect as the bond of common faith and through interfaith tolerance and understanding, a unified approach to the changes that confront humanity can be agreed upon, so that mankind can be made to see the whole earth as a single country and humanity its citizenry; and

WHEREAS this year marks the fifth year that World Religion Day has been celebrated in Halifax Regional Municipality with a free public program of music, dance, readings, and prayers that brings together representatives from the Mi'kmaq; Roman Catholic, Baptist, Unitarian and United Churches; the Baha'i, Jewish, Hindu, Shambhala Buddhist, Brahma Kumaris, Moslem, Sikh and Zoroastrian communities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Peter J. Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim, January 20, 2008 as "World Religion Day" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 15th day of January, 2008.




Peter J. Kelly
Mayor