

Proclamation

NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK

July 19-25, 2009

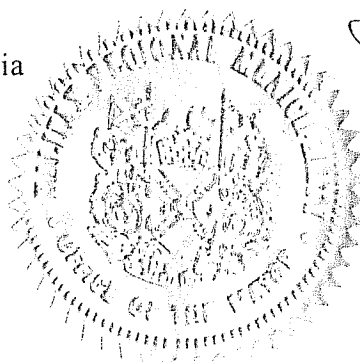
WHEREAS the mission of the Lifesaving Society of Nova Scotia is to reduce drowning and promote the safe enjoyment of the aquatic environment in Nova Scotia. Just one drowning in this province is one drowning too many and almost all drownings are completely preventable; and

WHEREAS a greater awareness of the importance of being Water Smart is required, especially in a province that is almost surrounded by the sea and in a municipality that contains thousands of lakes. Only through education and a great respect for the potential danger of these bodies of water present may we truly enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society of Canada has declared July 19-25, 2009, as “National Drowning Prevention Week”, the Lifesaving Society urges Nova Scotians and residents of the Halifax Regional Municipality to supervise children that are in and around the water, refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities and to wear a personal flotation device or life jacket at all times when boating.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Peter Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim July 19-25, 2009, as “National Drowning Prevention Week” in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 7th day of July, 2009.



Peter Kelly
Mayor