

Proclamation

White Cane Week February 6-12, 2011

WHEREAS the week of February 6-12, 2001 is recognized as White Cane Week; and

WHEREAS White Cane Week aims to remind all Canadians that the traditional cane is a symbol of independence – not independence and that a lack of sight is not a lack of vision; and

WHEREAS this is the 64th year that this public awareness campaign has taken place in Canada and reflects the changing situations of people who are blind and vision impaired; and

WHEREAS White Cane Week is a program of the Canadian Council of the Blind which has acted as "the voice of the blind" for 66 years; and

WHEREAS this campaign asks that service providers remove barriers that limit the fullness of life for our fellow blind and vision impaired citizens.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Peter Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim the week of February 6-12, 2011 as White Cane Week in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 6th day of February, 2011.

Peter Kelly Mayor