



Proclamation

Children's Vision Month October 2013

WHEREAS, as children across Canada return to school, many are beginning their school year with undiagnosed and untreated vision problems that interfere with their ability to read and learn;

80 percent of learning relies on vision;

One in four children have vision problems that would interfere with learning;

Many vision problems have no symptoms and parents, no matter how well they know their child, cannot determine how well their child sees;

All children deserve the opportunity to learn and achieve their full potential;

To determine if a child sees well, he or she requires comprehensive eye examination;

Public Awareness about the role vision plays in learning and learning-related vision problems is necessary for children to receive prompt vision treatment needed to enhance their lives;

It is important that parents, teachers, nurses and others understand the role good vision plays in the learning process and the importance of working together to reduce the impact of untreated vision problems.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim October, 2013 as "Children's Vision Month", in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 1st day of October, 2013



Original Signed

Mike Savage
Mayor