



NATIONAL BLOOD WEEK
June 14, 2006

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS every blood donation has the power to save the lives of up to three people and less than four per cent of eligible Canadians donate blood and blood products every year; and

WHEREAS an estimated 17 million Canadians have been touched by the need for blood during their lifetime and in Canada blood donors are volunteers who are not remunerated making the act of donating blood an act of genuine altruism; and

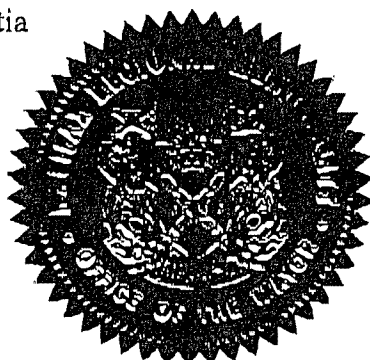
WHEREAS a greater awareness of the importance of becoming a blood donor is required to engage more Canadians in helping their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS the World Health Organization has designated June 14 of every year as World Blood Donor Day; and

WHEREAS in our province, there is a need for **over 36,000** units of blood per year from across the province to meet hospital needs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Peter J. Kelly, Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby proclaim the week in which June 14 occurs, as "National Blood Donor Week" in the Halifax Regional Municipality and urge all citizens to pay tribute to those among us who share their health and vitality with others in need. I also urge all citizens in good health to become regular donors.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 13th day of June 2006.




Peter J. Kelly
Mayor