

**"World Refugee Day  
June 20, 2005**

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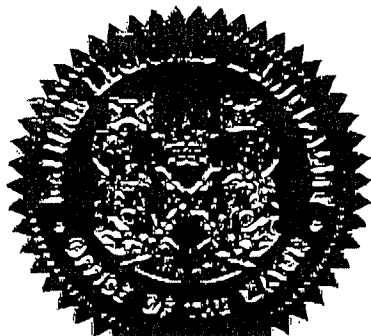
WHEREAS: On December 4, 2000, the United Nations General Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution naming June 20<sup>th</sup> every year as, World Refugee Day, to reaffirm the values and collective efforts of all concerned groups for the protection of the world's refugees and extend to them encouragement, support and respect; and

WHEREAS: World Refugee day 2005 is dedicated to celebrate the courage and contributions of refugees past and present to their adopted country; and

WHEREAS: The Halifax Regional Municipality respects the resilience of refugees, and all individuals and groups that help to restore meaning to the lives of refugees, and recognizes that the many residents of HRM are living proof of the contributions refugees make to our society.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Peter J. Kelly, Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality, do hereby proclaim June 20, 2005 as "World Refugee Day" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2005.



Peter J. Kelly  
Mayor