



## *Proclamation*

### World Religion Day January 21, 2007

WHEREAS since 1950 World Religion Day has been celebrated on the third Sunday in January around the world to foster the establishment of interfaith understanding and harmony by encouraging the leaders and followers of every religion to acknowledge the similarities in each of the sacred Faiths; and

WHEREAS nothing has such an integrating effect as the bond of common Faith and through interfaith tolerance and understanding, a unified approach to the changes that confront humanity can be agreed upon, so that humankind can be made to see the whole earth as a single country and humanity its citizenry; and

WHEREAS this year marks the fourth year that World Religion Day has been celebrated in Halifax Regional Municipality with a focus on children, youth and the use of the arts. This free public program of music, dance, songs and prayers brings together representatives from the Mi'kmaq; Roman Catholic and United Churches; Baha'i Faith; Jewish Faith; Muslim youth; Buddhist youth; Hindu; Sikh and Zoroastrian communities. Donations may be made to local charities.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Peter J. Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim, January 21, 2007 and every third Sunday in January hereafter as "World Religion Day" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.



Peter J. Kelly  
Mayor