

National Youth Week May 7-11, 2007

WHEREAS the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association has resolved that the first full week in May will be National Youth Week, recognizing the importance of youth as an integral component in Canadian society, and

WHEREAS Halifax Regional Municipality has endorsed a Youth Engagement Strategy, and

WHEREAS Halifax Regional Council has made a commitment to increased youth involvement by adopting a youth governance model, and

WHEREAS Halifax Regional Municipality recognizes that youth are active and contributing members of society now ... not just future citizens or leaders of tomorrow, and

WHEREAS youth are often unrecognized for the valuable contributions they make to HRM communities and it's social, economic and civic landscape, and

WHEREAS meaningful youth engagement through recreation and community development emphasizes access, equity and social justice and leads to positive youth development,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Peter J. Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim May 7-11, 2007 as NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK, in the Halifax Regional Municipality to provide a focal point within the year for increasing awareness and celebration of the valuable and positive contributions that youth make to communities.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 1st day of May 2007.

