



PROCLAMATION WHITE CANE WEEK

February 7 –13, 2010

WHEREAS, the week of February 7-13, 2010 is recognized as White Cane Week; and

WHEREAS, White Cane Week aims to remind all Canadians that the traditional cane is a symbol of independence – not dependence and that a lack of sight is not a lack of vision; and

WHEREAS, this is the 63rd year that this public awareness campaign has taken place in Canada and reflects the changing situations of people who are blind and vision impaired; and

WHEREAS, White Cane Week is a program of the Canadian Council of the Blind which has acted as “the voice of the blind” for 65 years, and partner VoicePrint, a broadcast service established to create full-text recordings of print material to all Canadians particularly those who cannot access printed information; and

WHEREAS, this campaign asks that service providers remove barriers that limit the fullness of life for our fellow blind and vision impaired citizens.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Peter Kelly, on behalf of members of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim **the week of February 7th – 13th 2010 as White Cane Week** in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 2nd day of February, 2010

Peter Kelly
Mayor



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