



*Proclamation*

**Purple Day for Epilepsy  
March 26, 2012**

WHEREAS Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world.

Purple Day was founded by nine year old Cassidy Megan of Nova Scotia who wanted to let people know if you have epilepsy you are not alone.

Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, estimated to affect over 10,000 people in Nova Scotia, over 300,000 people in Canada, and 50 million people worldwide.

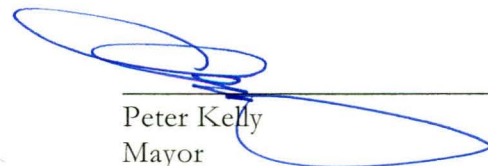
One in ten persons will have at least one seizure during his or her lifetime.

The public is often unable to recognize common seizure types, or how to respond with appropriate first aid.

Purple Day will be celebrated on March 26 annually to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for people with epilepsy throughout the country and globally.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Peter Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council proclaim March 26, 2012, "Purple Day", in an effort to raise awareness of epilepsy in the Halifax Regional Municipality.



  
Peter Kelly  
Mayor