Item No. 1

Proclamation

World Oceans Week
June 8-15, 2012

WHEREAS in 2009 the United Nations proclaimed June 8th to be World Oceans Day

Since 1992 Canada played a key role in the United Nations recognizing World Oceans Day.

World Oceans Week was founded to encourage all Canadians to honour, celebrate, protect and preserve our waterways and oceans as well as the habitat along and in our waterways and oceans where 80% of the oxygen we breathe is generated.

World Oceans Week urges all Canadians to take action to conserve water, preserve waterways and shorelines, reduce emissions, reduce their carbon footprint and protect the habitat along and in our waterways.

World Oceans Week urges all Canadians to help our marine life recover by avoiding seafood on the endangered list.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I Mayor Peter Kelly, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim June 8-15, 2012 as World Oceans Week and encourage residents to actively conserve, preserve and protect our waterways, oceans and habitats.

Peter Kelly
Mayor