



Proclamation

Hemochromatosis Awareness Month May 2013

WHEREAS Hereditary Hemochromatosis, is a hidden genetic condition which causes an overload of iron in the body, is a crippling and potentially fatal disorder if undiagnosed and left untreated; and

This condition, which primarily affects those of Celtic and European descent, is the most common genetic disorder in Canada affecting 1 in 300 Canadians; and

The complications of this condition are preventable by early diagnosis and treatment; however if left untreated, often leads to several diseases such as arthritis, diabetes, cirrhosis, liver cancer and heart disease to name a few; and

The Canadian Hemochromatosis Society/Société canadienne de l'hémochromatose was established in 1982 to increase awareness of this condition and to provide information and support to individuals, families, health care providers and the general public;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim, May 2013 as "Hemochromatosis Awareness Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 1st day of May, 2013



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Mike Savage
Mayor