

## **Proclamation**

## Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Awareness Month May 2014

Whereas, Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS) is a genetic disorder involving mutations in connective tissue characterized by instability and dislocations of the joints; skin that bruised, scars and tears easily; arterial and organ rupture causing internal bleeding, shock, stroke, and premature death;

There is neither routine screening nor a cure for EDS, early and accurate diagnosis can provide opportunities for life-saving emergency medical plans and proper monitoring; and improve quality of life;

EDS is frequently misdiagnosed or undiagnosed. Improved knowledge can prevent generations of premature deaths, allow for effective management, improve quality of life, and reduce disability and pain;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim, May 2014 as "Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Awareness Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 1" day of May, 2014



Original Signed

Mike Savage Mayor