

## **Proclamation**

## Overdose Awareness Day August 31, 2015

WHEREAS every year on August 31, International Overdose Awareness Day is recognized in communities around the world and we remember those whose lives have been lost, and to raise awareness about the risks of overdose.

Overdose is the third leading cause of accidental death among people in the world with a percentage of these deaths occurring in Nova Scotia. Overdose deaths shatter families, friends and communities. Accidental overdose is largely preventable.

This day recognizes the devastating impact of drug overdose in Halifax and also provides an opportunity to remember individuals who have died while making a commitment to preventing future deaths.

The Halifax Regional Municipality is committed to improving the health and wellbeing of all community members.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of members of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2015 as "Overdose Awareness Day" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.



**Original Signed** 

Mike Savage Mayor