

## **Proclamation**

## March of Dimes Month October, 2015

WHEREAS, for over 60 years, March of Dimes Canada has been on the forefront of the disability movement in Canada. What began as a fundraising march to raise funds for research for a polio vaccine has now grown and evolved into a multi-service charity that annually serves over 55,000 Canadians living with disabilities. March of Dimes Canada is One Stop: Opportunities for Independence for children and adults living with disabilities.

On October 30, 2015, March of Dimes will hold its 10<sup>th</sup> Rock for Dimes fundraiser in Halifax in support of local children and adults with disabilities. Rock for Dimes Halifax benefits March of Dimes Canada's Conductive Education (CE) Nova Scotia Program, which helps children and adults in our province. CE is an innovative program that blends elements of education and rehabilitation to improve the independence, mobility and confidence of children with disabilities, and has proven especially beneficial to children with cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis and developmental apraxia. March of Dimes Canada is a nationally registered charitable organization providing support services to people with disabilities, their families and caregivers across Canada.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim October, 2015 as "March of Dimes Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality, and I encourage everyone to support March of Dimes' Opening Doors for Accessibility October 29 at St. Mary's Boat Club, Rock for Dimes Halifax October 30 at the Cunard Centre and Spiking for Dimes Halifax November 1 at Canada Games Centre to help enhance the independence of Nova Scotian citizens living with physical disabilities.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2015



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Mike Savage Mayor