



**LIVER HEALTH MONTH
MARCH 2006
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS liver disease is the fourth leading cause of death by disease in Canada, striking men, women and children indiscriminately. More than 2 million Canadians will suffer from some form of liver disease in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS founded in 1969, the Canadian Liver Foundation was the first organization in the world devoted exclusively to providing support of research and education into hepatitis and other forms of liver disease. The mandate of the Canadian Liver Foundation is to promote liver health and to reduce the incidence and impact of all liver diseases; and

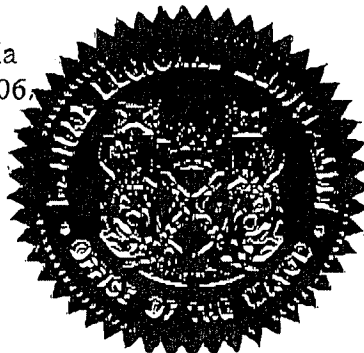
WHEREAS the Foundation has over 30 chapters across the country that provide liver health information and on-going support for liver disease patients and their families; and

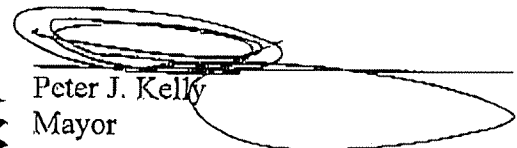
WHEREAS through its research program, the Foundation has been able to provide much-needed funding to liver specialists across the country; and

WHEREAS during March, Canadian Liver Foundation chapters hold a variety of fundraising and educational events to raise public awareness of liver health and liver disease.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Peter J. Kelly, Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality, do hereby proclaim March 2006 as "***Liver Health Month***" to recognize the commitment of Canadian Liver Foundation volunteers, staff, donors, researchers, sponsors and government partners, and encourage everyone to support the Canadian Liver Foundation.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 22nd day of February, 2006.




Peter J. Kelly
Mayor