

**LANDMINE AWARENESS WEEK
February 25 -March 3, 2002**

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS The citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality wish to promote respect for human rights; and

WHEREAS Anti-personnel landmines have caused and continue to cause death and injury to innocent and defenseless civilians and deny them access to land, food, water, schools and medical facilities even after wars are over; and

WHEREAS The consequences and use of anti-personnel landmines contravene International Humanitarian Law (The Geneva Conventions); and

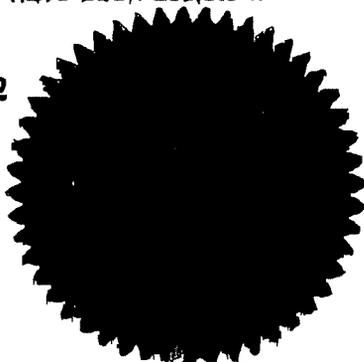
WHEREAS The Canadian Public and the Federal Government called for and achieved a total ban on anti-personnel landmines; and

WHEREAS As a signatory to the treaty, Canada and therefore Canadians should do their utmost to assist other nations to:

- remove anti-personnel landmines
- provide assistance for the care and rehabilitation of anti-personnel landmine victims.

THEREFORE, I, Peter J. Kelly, Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality, do hereby proclaim the week of February 25-March 3, 2001, as LANDMINE AWARENESS WEEK in the Halifax Regional Municipality and do commend its observance to all citizens of our municipality until all mines are out of the ground and all victims have been assisted.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 19th day of February, 2002



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**Peter J. Kelly
Mayor**