

Proclamation

African Heritage Month February 2020

WHEREAS, the Halifax Regional Municipality is committed to celebrating the cultural heritage of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, February is recognized internationally as African Heritage Month – a time to recognize and salute the many contributions and ongoing achievements of Black people all over the world; and

WHEREAS, 2020 marks the 36th year the Black History Month Association has celebrated the achievements of African Nova Scotians in Halifax; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme "The Ties that Bind: Faith, Family & Community", recognizes the unique bond People of African Decent share through Faith, Family and Community. This theme is about celebrating the longstanding legacy of Faith and Spirituality, acknowledging strong family ties and honouring the togetherness of the African Nova Scotian Community. These ties help facilitate a greater bond and understanding of all cultures in Nova Scotia.

WHEREAS, this year's theme also aligns with the 2015 to 2024 global observance of the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent which focus is on strengthening global cooperation in support of people of African descent as they strive for full inclusion in all aspects of society

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim February 2020 as "African Heritage Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 1st day of February 2019

Original Signed

Mike Savage Mayor