WHEREAS Lyme disease is a serious illness caused by the bite of a black-legged tick infected with the bacterium *Borrelia burgdorferi*; and

WHEREAS black-legged ticks carrying a variety of diseases or illnesses can now be found in all parts of Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS awareness, education and practicing preventative measures, such as daily tick checks and proper tick removal, can help reduce your chances of contracting tick borne diseases;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim, May 2018 as "Lyme Disease Awareness Month" and I would like to remind residents to take the appropriate precautions to prevent Lyme disease by protecting yourself from ticks; checking yourself, your children and pets for ticks; removing ticks properly as soon as they are found; and by recording the date and location of the tick bite and watching for symptoms.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia  
this 1st day of May, 2018

Original Signed

Mike Savage  
Mayor