

## **Proclamation**

## **Economic Abuse Awareness Day**

November 26th, 2024

Whereas, domestic economic abuse is a common but overlooked form of domestic violence that limits an individual's financial autonomy, including denying access and control over resources or constraining economic freedom;

Whereas, barriers to economic resources undermine a survivor's independence, including the ability to flee abusive relationships. Economic abuse has detrimental effects on a survivor's mental and physical well-being and other social determinants of health;

Whereas, economic abuse happens across socio-economic status, race, and age and is exacerbated by intersectional and systemic factors;

Whereas, economic abuse survivors have the right to be free from violence and must feel empowered to regain control over their lives;

Whereas, all levels of government must work to prevent economic abuse; and

Whereas, HRM commits to supporting victim-survivors of economic abuse and encourages everyone to inform themselves about the signs and impacts of economic abuse.

**Therefore, be it resolved**, that I, Mayor Andy Fillmore on behalf of the Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim November 26<sup>th</sup>, as "Economic Abuse Awareness Day" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia This 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024





Andy Fillmore Mayor