



PROCLAMATION
Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day
October 15, 2026

WHEREAS, October 15 is recognized in Nova Scotia as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day under the *Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Act*; and

WHEREAS, each day in Canada, five babies die within their first year and eight babies are stillborn; as many as one in five pregnancies ends in miscarriage, one family in Nova Scotia per day experiences the pain of losing a child as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal loss; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of the causes and impacts of pregnancy and infant loss may lead to greater understanding, support and resources in communities across Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS, a day of remembrance honours the lives of the children and supports grieving parents, grandparents, siblings and other family members whose lives are forever altered by the heartbreak of losing a child; and

WHEREAS, the day is observed with remembrance ceremonies and candlelight vigils, concluding with the International Wave of Light, a worldwide lighting of candles at 7 p.m.; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Nancy Dicks, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2026, as “**Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day**” in the Town of New Glasgow.

Mayor Nancy Dicks