

Resolution 9A

ESTABLISHMENT OF "NEW ENGLAND DAY" IN NOVA SCOTIA ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF AUGUST EACH YEAR (PASSED)

⇒ County of Antigonish

WHEREAS New England is home to more than 15 million people; and

WHEREAS their geography puts New Englanders just a few hours' drive away from Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS Nova Scotia hosts many New England tourists every year, while some New Englanders maintain summer residents in the Province; and

WHEREAS Nova Scotia and New England have shared profound economic, historic and cultural ties; and

WHEREAS one in four Massachusetts residents claims ancestral ties with Canada; and

WHEREAS the Province of Nova Scotia donates a giant Christmas tree to the City of Boston, in thanks for their assistance after the 1917 Halifax Explosion; and

WHEREAS in the spirit of friendship with our New England neighbors, family and friends, Nova Scotians are encouraged to celebrate these strong economic, historic and cultural ties;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UNSM encourage the Government of Nova Scotia to recognize "New England Day" in Nova Scotia on the first Saturday of August each year.

Response from:
Premier's Office

RESPONSE:

As the UNSM acknowledges in its resolution around New England Day, there has long existed a meaningful friendship between Nova Scotia and New England. In addition to being an important business trade relationship for our province, Nova Scotians and New Englanders have been there for one another in times of need.

Government deeply values this connection and it is our intention to proclaim New England Day in Nova Scotia on the first Saturday in August each year.