



Proclamation Acadian Heritage Month & National Acadian Day August 2025

WHEREAS, the Acadian people are descendants of early French settlers who arrived in what is now Nova Scotia beginning in the early 1600s, developing a unique and enduring culture rooted in language, music, tradition, and resilience; and

WHEREAS, the Acadian community has played a significant role in shaping the cultural, historical, and social fabric of Nova Scotia, including right here in New Glasgow and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, National Acadian Day is celebrated each year on August 15, as designated during the first National Acadian Convention in 1881, and stands as a proud symbol of Acadian identity, perseverance, and cultural pride; and

WHEREAS, the entire month of August is widely recognized across the Atlantic provinces as a time to honour Acadian history and celebrate the contributions of Acadian communities through festivals, music, storytelling, and community gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Acadian culture continues to thrive through generations, enriching our shared heritage and promoting the values of community, creativity, and diversity; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Nancy Dicks, do hereby proclaim the Month of August 2024 as **ACADIAN HERITAGE MONTH**, and recognize August 15, 2024, as **NATIONAL ACADIAN DAY** in the Town of New Glasgow. I encourage all residents to take part in local and provincial events, to celebrate Acadian language and culture, and to reflect on the enduring legacy and vibrant future of the Acadian people in our community and beyond.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Nancy Dicks'.

Mayor Nancy Dicks