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Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing Disability Awareness Month

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Proclaim March as Disability Awareness Month.

Report

Issue:

Whether to proclaim March as Disability Awareness Month.

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Presenter(s):

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Background and Analysis:

People with disabilities are a valued and vital part of our community, yet face many systemic barriers, stereotypes and harmful attitudes. Disability Awareness Month is an opportunity to consider the ways systems we work within contribute to these problems, how we can combat that and the commitments we are making promote the rights of people with disabilities, universal accessibility and full inclusion within our city.

The City recognizes meaningful and significant disparities that people with disabilities face. This proclamation will be a reminder for City staff, community businesses and organizations and the general public to look for opportunities to disrupt those disparities and work toward full inclusion of people with disabilities.

Attachments:

Proclamation