

Proclamation



WHEREAS: autism is spectrum disorder that affects 1 in every 55 children born in this county. Autism presents differently in almost every child, given 100 children with Autism it is unlikely any two would have the exact same symptoms.

WHEREAS: autism is a neurological diagnosis which can affect the functioning of the brain and is the third most common developmental disability, affecting 7,500,000 individuals nationwide; and

WHEREAS: every 55 minutes a child is diagnosed with Autism in this Country. Recently the spectrum has widen to allow more children treatment under the ASD umbrella, this will certainly play a part in the number of children diagnosed and treated. In Broward County Public Schools, currently there are over 3,000 children with Autism attending Broward county schools each year.

WHEREAS: accurate, early diagnosis, and the resulting appropriate education and intervention are vital to the future growth and development of the individual; and to ensure their growth and development, doctors, therapists, and educators are available to help persons with autism address the challenges they face and provide early, accurate diagnosis and the appropriate education, intervention, and therapy; and

WHEREAS: Autism Awareness Month and World Autism Awareness Day are an important opportunities to educate, raise public awareness, and enhance the understanding of the issues affecting person with autism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Rex Hardin, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, on behalf of the City Commission do hereby proclaim the month of April 2023 as:

“NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH”

in Pompano Beach, Broward County, Florida.

DONE this 11th day of April, 2023.



REX HARDIN
MAYOR