

Proclamation



WHEREAS: Autism Awareness Month is observed annually in April, and April 2nd is recognized as the United Nations-sanctioned World Autism Awareness Day; both designations are intended to increase understanding and acceptance of people with autism; and

WHEREAS: autism or autism spectrum disorder, refers to a broad range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communications; it is often accompanied by medical issues such as GI disorders, seizures, sleep disturbances, anxiety, and depression; research indicates that early diagnosis, intervention, and access to support services leads to positive outcomes later in life for people with the disorder; and

WHEREAS: National Autism Awareness month is backed by the Autism society of America which has local chapters throughout the United State which hold special events throughout April and undertake a number of activities to raise awareness about autism; and

WHEREAS: Autism Awareness Month promotes acceptance and celebration of autistic people who are our family members, friends, classmates, co-workers, and community members and the valuable contributions they make to our world; and

WHEREAS: Autism is a natural variation of the human experience, and we can all create a world which values, includes and celebrates all kinds of minds.

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 2024 as:

“NATIONAL! AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH”

in Pompano Beach, Broward County, Florida.

DONE this 9th day of April, 2024.



REX HARDIN
MAYOR