

Proclamation



WHEREAS: Alzheimer's disease is a progressive brain disease that slowly deteriorates brain cells, affecting one's reasoning skills and abilities to perform simple tasks, ultimately leading to memory loss; and

WHEREAS: Alzheimer's cases in Florida are expected to increase 24 percent from 580,000 in 2020 to more than 720,000 in 2025; and

WHEREAS: 806,000 Floridians provided over 1,267,000,000 hours of unpaid care for individuals with Alzheimer's disease; and

WHEREAS: Alzheimer's disease, which currently has no cure, is the sixth leading cause of death in adults age eighteen or older in the United States; and

WHEREAS: during the month of June, citizens across Florida take part in The Longest Day - alz.org/thelongestday to raise awareness and support research and care for Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS: nearly 50% of individuals with increased memory problems reported they had not discussed their symptoms with a health care provide, yet early and documented diagnosis when coupled with access to care planning services leads to better outcomes for individuals with Alzheimer's, as well as their caregivers; and

WHEREAS: The City of Pompano Beach recognizes the efforts of the Alzheimer's Association to raise funds, provide care and support for those living and caring for someone with Alzheimer's and promote awareness to fight Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, thereby improving the quality of human life for those living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rex Hardin, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission do hereby proclaim, June as:

Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month

and, I encourage all residents with Alzheimer's receive early diagnoses and have access to quality, affordable care and that further research of this disease continues.

DONE, this 13th day of June, 2023.



REX HARDIN
MAYOR