

A TRIBUTE TO DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Foster, City Council Members and the City, the Citizens Advisory Commission on Disabilities

In essence, the voice of the disabled community, is quite pleased to accept this historical Proclamation

Which declares October 2009 as Disability Awareness Month Surely, this is the time to rejoice and celebrate!

Just like ingredients are precisely and lovingly blended to create the finest dark, milk or white chocolates

Disability Awareness evolves from education, sensitivity training and inclusion of people with disabilities

Having physical, visual, mental, cognitive, speech, hearing, hidden or mobility impairments and chronic diseases

Such as, paralysis, autism; epilepsy, bipolar disorders; multiple sclerosis; Alzheimer's or Parkinson's disease

Just like the survival of the earth is dependent upon the protection of the environment from detrimental elements

Disability Awareness reflects understanding of the limitations, challenges and abilities of the disabled community

People with abilities and disabilities continue to be united as one while being goodwill ambassadors for humanity

Applaud the City's profound commitment forging endless bridges of communication, insight, respect and equality

Surely, this Proclamation which declares October 2009 as Disability Awareness Month is a blessing! Thank you!

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Dedicated to: Mayor Foster; City Council Members; the City; Debbie Mills, the Acting Director of the Human Resources Department; Dora Hogan, the City's ADA Compliance Officer and CACoD's Commission Liaison, as well as, Crystal King, Personnel Assistant