Proclamation Office of the Mayor

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 1 in every 36 children in the United States are among the more than 6 million Americans living with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD); and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis and treatment are essential for those affected by ASD; and

WHEREAS, Autism is a reality that affects millions of families every day, and while our nation has made progress in supporting those with ASD, we are only beginning to understand the factors behind the challenges they face; and

WHEREAS, during Autism Awareness Month, we recommit to helping individuals on the autism spectrum reach their full potential as each person should have the opportunity to live full, independent lives and follow their talents wherever they lead; and

WHEREAS, each year in April, we recognize those with ASD who are achieving and breaking down barriers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Danielle DiPaola, Mayor of the Borough of Emerson, on behalf of Governing Body, do hereby proclaim April 2024 as Autism Awareness Month in the Borough of Emerson; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I encourage all citizens to learn what more they can do to support individuals on the autism spectrum and their families.

Mayor Danielle DiPaola

April 2, 2024