

**RESOLUTION 2017 - 4**

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, individuals with developmental disabilities, their families, friends, neighbors and co-workers encourage everyone to focus on the abilities of all people; and

**WHEREAS**, the most effective way to increase this awareness is through everyone's active participation in community activities and the openness to learn and acknowledge each individual's contributions; and

**WHEREAS**, opportunities for citizens with developmental disabilities to function as independently and productively as possible must be fostered in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, we encourage all citizens to support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities in our community that include full access to education, housing, employment, and recreational activities.

**WHEREAS**, communities are stronger when everyone participates. Take time to get to know someone with a disability, recognize that a person with a developmental disability *can do like you!*

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, six members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Mason hereby designates and proclaims March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

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Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk of Council