



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: March 19, 2019

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, Proclaiming March, 2019 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Sonoma County

Whereas, In 1987, President Ronald Reagan issued a public proclamation that the month of March would be recognized as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month to “increase public awareness of the needs and potential of Americans with disabilities”, also, rights for the more than five million Americans who have a developmental disability were furthered with the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990; and

Whereas, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month is an opportunity to promote respect for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and to educate others about the abilities those with intellectual and developmental disabilities possess; and

Whereas, This campaign seeks to raise awareness about the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all areas of community life, as well as awareness to the barriers that people with disabilities still sometimes face in connection to the communities in which they live; and

Whereas, Less than 20 percent of the 5.4 million people with intellectual and developmental disabilities are represented in the workplace.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors proclaims March, 2019 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Sonoma County.

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