

City of Auburn
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, autism is a lifelong neurological disorder with current statistics estimating it to one in fifty-four children being born with an Autism Spectrum Disorder; and,

WHEREAS, autism affects each individual in different ways, and can range from very mild to severe, knows no racial, ethnic or social boundaries and affects young and old alike; and,

WHEREAS, the prevalence of autism in US children has increased by 119.4% from 2000 to 2010, autism is the fastest growing developmental disability.

WHEREAS, in June 2014, only 16.8% of people with disabilities were employed while in contrast, 65% of people without disabilities were employed.

WHEREAS, our understanding of autism has grown tremendously since it was first diagnosed, there is no known cure for autism. Accurate, early diagnosis and the resulting appropriate education and intervention are vital to the future growth and development of the individual; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for continued research into this disorder, hope currently lies in a broad spectrum of treatments, and in an informed public and community committed to providing support and service to individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders; and,


NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael D. Quill, Mayor of the City of Auburn, New York, on behalf of the City Council and the Citizens of Auburn, do hereby proclaim April 2021, as

Autism Acceptance Month

and encourage our citizens and visitors to take part in the annual observance of Autism Acceptance Month in the hope that it will lead to a better understanding of the disorder.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Auburn to be affixed this Eighth day of April 2021.




Michael D. Quill, Mayor
City of Auburn, New York