

~ PROCLAMATION ~

Whereas, the rights of adults and children with disabilities to fully participate in all aspects of American society were established by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 1990 legislation whose roots date to 1975; and

Whereas, the goals of equality, opportunity, integration, independent living and economic self-sufficiency for people with disabilities should be promoted and celebrated; and

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Labor's theme for this year's National Disability Employment Awareness Month as #InclusionWorks; and

Whereas, people with disabilities have the education, training, talents, experience and desire to be successful in the work place.

Now, therefore, we, the Board of County Councilors, hereby honor the goals of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act by proclaiming October 2016 as

~ Disability Employment Awareness Month ~

in Clark County, Washington, and urge citizens to reaffirm our community's determination to fulfill the letter and spirit of these acts and ask policy makers and business leaders to redouble their efforts to:

- benefit from increasing opportunities for meaningful employment for people with disabilities
- promote employment in all sectors of our economy, and
- expand employment opportunities for youths with disabilities

Dated this 4th day of October 2016

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