

Whereas, the Americans with Disabilities Act and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act established the right of adults and children with disabilities to participate fully in all aspects of American society; and

Whereas, Clark County supports the goals of equality, opportunity, independent living and economic self-sufficiency for people with disabilities; and

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Labor chose this year's theme for National Disability Employment Awareness Month as America's Workforce: Empowering All; and

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

Now, therefore, the County Council hereby reaffirms the principles of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act by proclaiming October 2018 as

~ Disability Employment Awareness Month ~

in Clark County, Washington, and urges citizens to rededicate our community to fulfilling the letter and spirit of the laws and asks policy makers and business leaders to redouble their efforts to:

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

Dated this 2nd day of October 2018

CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL FOR CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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