

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2013-0045

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Connally, Brady, Greenspan, Miller, Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Rogers and Simon	A Resolution proclaiming the month of March 2013 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Cuyahoga County: “Look Beyond and See Our Capabilities”, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, the observance of Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month is designed to increase the public’s awareness and understanding of people who have developmental disabilities so that these citizens have increased access to employment, education, housing and social opportunities; and

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, the Cuyahoga County Council encourages all citizens to support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities in our community that include full access to education, housing, employment and recreational activities. The Cuyahoga County Council also encourages all citizens to take time to get to know someone with a disability and to “Look Beyond” the disability and see what he or she has to offer; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order to ensure timely recognition of this celebration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby supports and proclaims March 2013 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Cuyahoga County.

SECTION 2. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby recognizes that our communities are stronger when everyone participates and encourages all citizens to

support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities that include full access to education, housing, employment and recreational activities.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order to ensure timely recognition of this celebration. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Schron, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Jones, Rogers, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell and Connally

Nays: None

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

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