

RESOLUTION #09-0406-14

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING APRIL, 2009 AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH IN LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO:

Whereas, Autism is a complex neurobiological disorder that typically lasts throughout a person's lifetime. It is part of a group of disorders known as autism spectrum disorders (ASD), Autism impairs a person's ability to communicate and relate to others, and

Whereas, an ASD begins before the age of 3 and lasts throughout a person's life, ASDs occur in all racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups and are four times more likely to occur in boys than in girls, and

Whereas, Autism symptoms can range from very mild to quite severe; parents are usually the first to notice unusual behaviors in their child or their child's failure to reach appropriate developmental milestones. Scientists think that both genes and the environment play a role, and there might be many causes that lead to ASDs, and

Whereas, currently, there are no effective means to prevent Autism, no fully effective treatments, and no cure. Research indicates, however, that early intervention in an appropriate educational setting for at least two years during the preschool years can result in significant improvements for many young children with autism spectrum disorders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Liberty Township Board of Trustees of Delaware County, Ohio, hereby proclaim

April, 2009

as

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH
in Liberty Township, Delaware County, Ohio

to enhance understanding of the disease, including its causes and health effects, and to support and encourage education programs and research to develop effective therapies and find a cure.

This Resolution shall be in force and become effective immediately upon its execution.

Motion made by Mann and seconded by Guzzo.

Vote: Yes Ms. Guzzo Yes Mr. Mann Yes Mr. Sybert

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4-6-09
Date

Robert Mann
Robert Mann, Trustee

Curtis J. Sybert
Curtis J. Sybert, Trustee

Peggy Guzzo
Peggy Guzzo, Trustee

CERTIFIED BY:

Mark S. Gerber
Mark S. Gerber, Fiscal Officer