

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Arc of St. Charles is a non-profit organization committed to providing services and support that enable people of all ages with developmental and intellectual disabilities and special needs to attain their full potential; and,

WHEREAS, the Arc strives to promote and maintain a high level of professionalism in all areas and to maximize all resources, human and financial, in the interest of helping all persons they serve lead fulfilling and rewarding lives; and,

WHEREAS, the Arc includes over 140,000 members affiliated through more than 850 state and local chapters across the Nation; and,

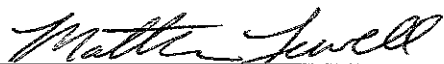
WHEREAS, it is important that every individual and family affected by intellectual and developmental disabilities have access to information, advocacy, and skills they need to participate as active members of their community and to live an ordinary decent American life; and,

WHEREAS, people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families are valued, respected, and included in all communities; they direct their own lives and can choose services and support from many available sources; and they are empowered through non-profit advocacy. State and Federal Governments administer programs and set a budget that meet everyone's needs.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MARCH 2020 AS

DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH IN ST. CHARLES PARISH

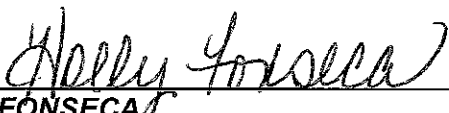
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, DO HEREBY URGE THAT THE CITIZENS OF ST. CHARLES PARISH GIVE FULL SUPPORT TO EFFORTS TOWARD ENABLING PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES TO LIVE PRODUCTIVE LIVES AND ACHIEVE THEIR POTENTIAL.



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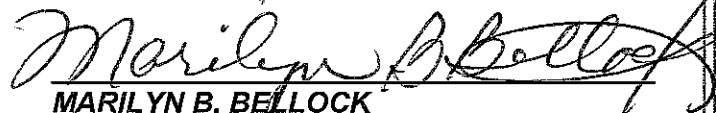
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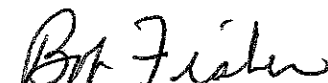
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