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Proclamation: "ALS Awareness Month in St. Charles Parish"

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) often referred to as "Lou Gehrig's disease," is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord; and,

WHEREAS, it is estimated that ALS is responsible for nearly two deaths per hundred thousand people annually. More people die every year of ALS than of Huntington's disease or multiple sclerosis and it occurs two-thirds as frequently as multiple sclerosis; and,

WHEREAS, the ALS Association symbolizes the hopes of people everywhere that Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis will one day be a disease of the past - relegated to historical status, studied in medical textbooks, conquered by the dedication of thousands who have worked ceaselessly to understand and eradicate this perplexing killer; and,

WHEREAS, ALS is an incurable fatal neuromuscular disease characterized by progressive muscle weakness, resulting in paralysis; and,

WHEREAS, the disease attacks nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord causing muscles to no longer receive the messages they need in order to function; gradually weakening and deteriorating them; and,

WHEREAS, members in the community come together to raise funds to benefit the ALS Association in their fight against ALS. Time isn't on the side of those afflicted - fighting ALS is a full-time job; and,

WHEREAS, the 2024 Louisiana Walk to Defeat ALS will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2024, registration begins at 1:30 pm, the walk begins at 2:30 pm at the Pennington Bay Biomedical Research Center, 6400 Perkins Road, in Baton Rouge.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, WE THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY 2024 AS

"ALS AWARENESS MONTH IN ST. CHARLES PARISH"

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