



Proclamation

Whereas, March is nationally recognized as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, a time to celebrate and raise awareness of the valuable contributions that individuals with developmental disabilities make to our communities; and

Whereas, people with developmental disabilities, including those with intellectual, physical, or emotional challenges, have the right to live full, productive lives and participate in every aspect of community life, including education, employment, recreation, and social activities; and

Whereas, this year's theme "We're Here All Year" emphasizes that community, accessibility, and opportunities for people with developmental disabilities should be recognized and championed every day – not just in March; and

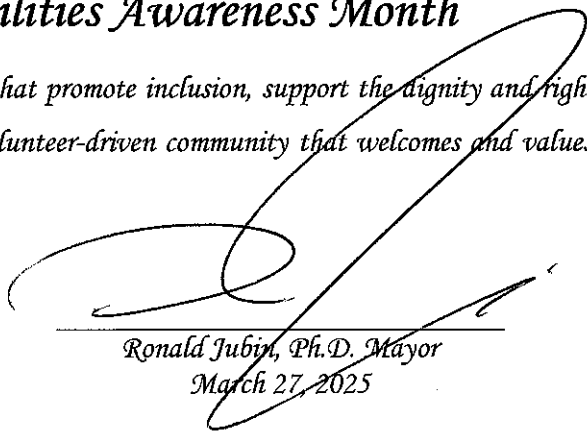
Whereas, the residents of Watchung, have long demonstrated a commitment to fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment for all, understanding that a strong community is one in which all individuals, regardless of ability, are valued and supported; and

Whereas, each of us can play an important role in advancing the cause of inclusion and accessibility by offering our time, expertise, and support to individuals with developmental disabilities, helping to build a community where everyone can thrive;

Now therefore, I, Ronald Jubin, Mayor of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, along with Members of the Council, do hereby proclaim March, 2025 as

Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

in Watchung and encourage all residents to join in efforts that promote inclusion, support the dignity and rights of individuals with developmental disabilities, and foster a volunteer-driven community that welcomes and values the diversity of all.


Ronald Jubin, Ph.D. Mayor
March 27, 2025