

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 434

Approved September 13, 2018

WHEREAS, Across the United States, millions of people are living with some form of hearing loss, which can be caused by disease, physical trauma, loud noise or simply by the aging process; and

WHEREAS, Here in Rhode Island, according to the RI Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing website, a study led by Johns Hopkins researchers published in 2011 showed that 20.3% or 213,671 Rhode Islanders had hearing loss in at least one ear; and

WHEREAS, These individuals are intelligent, capable and creative people who are responsible for significant accomplishments through a myriad of roles in communities across our state that help make Rhode Island such a great place in which to live, work and visit; and

WHEREAS, Each September, Deaf Awareness Month is celebrated to raise awareness of the issues faced by the deaf and hard of hearing, and to provide an opportunity to recognize, honor and learn more about the contributions they have made to our state; and

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council urge all our residents to take the time to get a better understanding of the culture and needs of our deaf and hard of hearing residents and to commit to doing all we can to ensure them a high quality of life in our city and state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council does hereby recognize September as Deaf Awareness Month.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND PASSED



PRES.



CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.



Mayor

Date: 9/13/18