

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 355

Approved June 22, 2018

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease, a progressive neurodegenerative brain disorder, tragically robs individuals of their memories and leads to mental and physical impairments; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's is the 6<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, 5.5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's and that number is projected to rise to nearly 14 million by the year 2050; and

WHEREAS, In the State of Rhode Island, over 23,000 residents are living with the disease, with an expected increase of 4,000 over the next seven years; and

WHEREAS, The estimated Medicaid cost for Rhode Islanders with the disease over the age of 65 in 2018 is \$438 million; and

WHEREAS, 16.1 million Americans provide unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's and dementia, totaling up to an estimated 18.4 billion hours of care valued at over \$232 billion; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, 53,000 caregivers in Rhode Island provided a total of 61 million hours in unpaid care; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan first recognized June as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month in 1983; and

WHEREAS, By recognizing June as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month, the City Council acknowledges hope on the horizon thanks to advancements in research, and expresses its support for the individuals and families affected by this disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council does hereby recognize June 2018 as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The City Council recognizes the efforts of the Alzheimer's Association to raise funds and promote awareness to fight Alzheimer's disease and other dementias, thereby improving the quality of human life for people living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

**IN CITY COUNCIL**

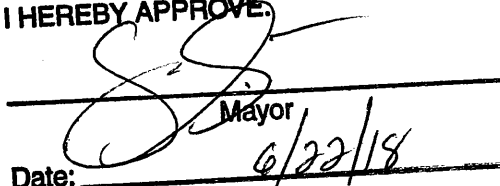
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I HEREBY APPROVE.

  
Mayor

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