

RESOLUTION 12-39

A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SUPPORT AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) are both general terms for a group of complex disorders of brain development which are characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication and repetitive behaviors and is believed to be caused by a combination of genes and environmental influences; and

WHEREAS, the National Autism Society has been celebrating Autism Month in April since the 1970's and the United States recognizes April as a special opportunity for public awareness and education about Autism; and

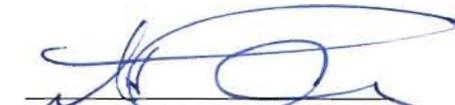
WHEREAS, about one in eighty-eight children have been identified with an Autism Spectrum Disorder; and

WHEREAS, Autism is reported to occur in all racial, ethnic and socioeconomic groups and is almost five times more common among boys than girls; and

WHEREAS, Autism has increased by 1,000 percent in the past forty years and is partially explained by improved diagnosis; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee hereby supports Autism Awareness Month.

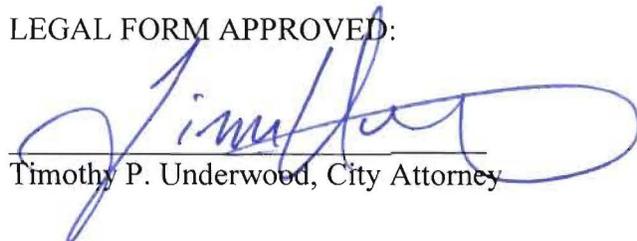
Passed and adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee on the 16th day of April, 2012.


Michael Dinwiddie, Mayor

ATTEST:


April Goad, City Recorder

LEGAL FORM APPROVED:


Timothy P. Underwood, City Attorney