



Joint Proclamation



Whereas, National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) is celebrated each October to recognize the contributions, achievements, and potential of people with disabilities to the workplace; and

Whereas, The City of Fort Wayne and the County of Allen commemorate NDEAM to recognize those contributions locally and to confirm their commitment to ensuring disabled workers have access to good jobs, including those in the government sector; and

Whereas, The City of Fort Wayne and the County of Allen affirm their commitment to complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act and breaking down barriers to employment for people with disabilities; and

Whereas, A diverse, nondiscriminatory workforce benefits local government, and by extension its constituents, by bringing a variety of perspectives and ideas to the table, which can lead to unique solutions and innovations; and

Whereas, Good jobs change lives; consequently *all* workers deserve the opportunity to prepare for, obtain, and succeed in them;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Allen together with the Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne hereby proclaim the month of **October** as

National Disability Employment Awareness Month

And invite all employers and citizens to commemorate this important event.

Richard E. Beck, President
Board of Commissioners

F. Nelson Peters, Vice President
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Board of Commissioners

Sharon Tucker, Mayor
City of Fort Wayne